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CHIANG SAID FLYING TO PHILIPPINES

To Confer With President Quirino In Baguio

SPECULATION OVER TRIP

Manila, July 9.

A government spokesman confirmed tonight that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek had been invited to visit the Philippines and the Chinese Nationalist leader was reported coming to Baguio to confer with President Elpidio Quirino.

Informed sources expected Chiang to arrive at the Northern Luzon mountain resort aboard a Nationalist military plane from Taiwan on Sunday morning. However there was no official confirmation that Chiang was coming to Baguio.

The first report of Chiang's expected visit to this country was carried in an extra edition of the Manila "Evening Chronicle" late this afternoon. The Malacanan Palace spokesman could not confirm the veracity of the report at once but a government source close to the President said "It is 90 per cent certain there is something to it."

President Quirino left for Baguio by train this morning accompanied by the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Felino Neri, the armed forces chief, Major General Mariano Castaneda, and the constabulary chief, Brigadier General Alberto Ramos.

The official version of the Quirino trip to Baguio, where the Cabinet often meets in the hottest weather, was that he was taking a brief rest. The President, however, had told friends he was going on a "very important mission." He did not disclose the purpose of the mission.

The Malacanan Palace spokesman said he received a message from the Presidential party which said "we have no definite knowledge Chiang is coming there in response to the invitation previously issued to visit the Philippines." This was the first official word of an invitation extended to Generalissimo.

The message from Baguio also alerted the press to get ready to fly to the resort city upon official notification.

There was much speculation here about the subjects the Generalissimo and President Quirino would discuss if Chiang comes to the Philippines.

It was considered most likely they would discuss ways and means of placing a barrier before Communism to keep it from swallowing up the whole of the Far East. President Quirino in an independence day speech proposed a Pacific Union as the answer to the "threat of Red imperialism."

Mr. Neri made a statement last night saying the next move toward the formation of a Pacific coalition must necessarily come from the United States. There was a report that General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters in Tokyo would be represented at Baguio for a possible conference with Chiang.

Chinese Minister Chen Chi-ping who returned to Manila recently from Canton held lengthy conferences with the President and Mr. Neri but the subject of the talks was never fully disclosed.

Exile For Chiang?

The subject of the Chiang-Quirino meeting was not disclosed adds Associated Press, but two general topics are expected to come under consideration.

1—A Pacific alliance which President Quirino has proposed as an anti-Communist economic and cultural front of Asian nations to be led by the United States.

2—Possibility of establishment of a home in exile for Chiang.

Chiang has been pressing for more American aid to continue the Chinese Nationalists' civil war against the Communists.

President Syngman Rhee of the Republic of Korea likewise has been calling for more aid to bulwark his regime against possible aggression by the Communist North Korean regime.

Dr. Rhee has come out in support of Mr. Quirino's suggestion for a Pacific counterpart of the Atlantic pact to oppose Communist aggression.

It was understood the matter of a home in exile for Chiang was first broached with the Philippine Government about a month after fall of Nanking. The Nationalist capital was abandoned to the Communists on April 22.

Chiang, who "retired" as Chinese President last January, heads the Chinese Reds' list of "war criminals." Madame Chiang is in the United States.

Expected In Canton

A Cabinet meeting lasting fully three hours was held this morning in Canton but only several minor appointments were announced at 1 p.m.

Among the matters discussed were the new pay scale in terms of silver yuan certificates for Government personnel and the welcome to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek who is expected soon.

Gen. Wu Te-chen, Minister without portfolio, told a reporter that the Generalissimo is still in Taiwan but will come here in two or three days.

The Acting Foreign Minister, Mr. George Yeh, said there would be no publication of the British note and the Chinese reply on the closure of Communist-held ports. He denied a Central News report that the Tihwa talks on a local trade agreement between Sinkiang and Soviet Russia were suspended but said the talks would make no undue concessions to Russia.—United Press and Associated Press.

Shuikow Captured By Reds

Canton, July 9

An Amoy report said that Shuikow, on the Min River about 60 miles North West of Foochow, had been captured by the Communists. The Military News Agency here and the Peiping radio, however, made no reference to the situation in Fukien in the past 24 hours.

Nationalist planes were again in action yesterday over Kutien, Chienyang and other areas to the North of Foochow. This appeared to be an effort to hold up or frustrate the Red offensive Southward.

In Central China, Government troops retook Chingmen, Tungyang and Anyuan in Central Hupeh, said the Military News Agency.

Soviet Planes

The same source said:

1—On June 22 two Soviet three-engined planes reconnoitred over Liaotung peninsula in Manchuria.

2—Six unidentified merchant ships passed through Changshan Island North of the Shantung peninsula steaming toward Tientsin.

3—Six Soviet planes reconnoitred over Changshan Island on June 25 and then flew Northward.

Vice-Admiral Kwei Yung-ching, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese Navy, revealed in Taipei yesterday that Changshan Island is now the Chinese naval base in North China.—Associated Press.

AFP ENDS NEWS SERVICE IN S'HAI

Shanghai, July 9.

Agence France Presse, the French news agency, yesterday said it had ended news distribution service in Shanghai because all subscribers had cancelled their contracts.

The agency operates only in the Chinese language. At one time it served about 20 newspapers.

The United Press closed its news distribution office on July 1. Reuter said it probably would close at the end of July.

(The Associated Press is still distributing news in Shanghai).—Associated Press.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) the tropical storm appears to have filled up between Pratas and N Luzon, leaving a trough of low pressure from Hainan to Luzon Strait. Another trough extends from SW China across the Eastern Sea and Japan to Hokkaido. Pressure remains high to the E of Japan.

Today's Forecast:—Light or moderate E winds. Partly cloudy. Very warm.

Yesterday's Weather:—

Maximum: 89.6 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 80.0 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 10.4 hours.
Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—949.6 mm.=37.39 ins. as against an average of 1068.6 mm.=42.07 ins.

	Readings at 10 a.m.	4 p.m.
Baro. at m.s.l.	1004.2	1003.1 m.b.
Equals	29.65	29.59 inches.
Rel. Humidity	78	66 %
Dew Point	76	74 deg. F.
Wind Direction	W by N	SW by W
Wind Force	4	2 knots.

Tides:—	Time	Ht.
High	0045	7.6
Low	0749	2.6
High	1717	9.4

Cricket - Vintage Style

Tall hats, "sideboards" and Pantalettes featured in a hectic cricket match played at Bushey, Hertfordshire, England. The ladies of St. Margaret's, Bushey, challenged the gentlemen of St. Edmund's School, Canterbury, Kent. Photo shows: Frilled, furbelowed, Susan Kitchingham bowled by a St. Edmund's whizzer.—(AP photo).

Chinese Customs Confiscate Portuguese Ship

(By Our Harbour Reporter)

The Portuguese motor-vessel Wareemba has been confiscated by the Chinese Maritime Customs since Friday on a charge of visiting Shihtao, Shantung Peninsula port, a place in China not open to international trade.

This is the first time that any foreign ship was confiscated by the Chinese authorities, on such a breach of Customs Preventive Law.

The 367 gross ton (257.03 registered net tonnage) Portuguese vessel was originally detained by the Swatow Customs authorities on June 20 on two charges—entering port without nationality papers and falsification of net tonnage.

The owners of the former United States Navy minesweeper, estimated to cost HK$200,000, are communicating with the port authorities at Macao, where the Wareemba is registered, relative to sending an appeal to the Chinese Customs, against the confiscation order.

The Wareemba cleared for Swatow on June 15 from Hong Kong in ballast with a crew of six foreign officers and nine Chinese seamen, headed by Mr. Leslie A. Castro, it was learned last evening.

En route from the Colony about 90 miles at sea engine trouble developed which caused the ship to drift in fairly rough seas for nearly four days, taking her as far as the Formosan Straits.

On June 19 the Wareemba proceeded to Swatow, arriving there on the following morning.

Ship Detained

Chinese Customs officials immediately boarded the Portuguese ship and informed the master, Mr. Castro, that his ship would be detained on charges of entering port without necessary nationality papers and falsification of the net tonnage of the vessel.

For nine days the Wareemba was under armed guard.

On June 28, Mr. Castro received instructions to proceed to the Tai Sham Customs Station, just outside Hong Kong waters. A Chinese Maritime Customs cruiser escorted the Portuguese ship.

The Wareemba is now under guard at Tai Sham. The ship's personnel, however, were permitted to return to Hong Kong.

Investigation into the case by the Swatow authorities is under way.

On July 8, the Chinese Customs, Kowloon, issued the confiscation order to the owners, both former Australian servicemen.

The local Chinese Customs authorities declined to make a statement on the matter. It was admitted, however, that a Portuguese vessel has been confiscated on a charge of visiting a place in China not open to international trade. Neither the ship nor the place was identified.

The Wareemba arrived in the Colony from Manila in October last year to be reconverted at the Hong Kong Shipyard for her owners, Mr. A. Baldwin and Mr. P. W. Rogers.

The mv. Wareemba is seen here before she left the Colony last month for Swatow. The 367-ton Portuguese ship was confiscated on Friday by the Chinese Maritime Customs on a charge of visiting a place in China not open to foreign trade—Shihtao, a Shantung Peninsula port now under Communist occupation.

Soviet-U.S. Exchange Of Fire

Stuttgart, July 9.

The United States army announced today that an American officer shot and killed a young Russian soldier on Friday after what the authorities said was an unprovoked attack on a United States constabulary patrol.

Major General Isaac D. White, chief of the constabulary, said he would deliver a 'bitter' protest to the Soviet authorities about the incident.

According to the American account Russian troops twice opened fire on a constabulary patrol at a point near Rothenback North of Coburg 300 yards inside the American zone from the Soviet Zone frontier. The first time the American soldiers did not return fire but called their officers. When the Russians opened again the officers fired back and the young Soviet soldier dropped dead in his tracks.

The Russian soldier's comrades left his body on the spot but apparently returned during the night and carried it away.

General White said the Soviet attack was unprovoked and the Americans were justified in firing back. Five or six Russian soldiers were said to have been involved in the exchange of fire. The number of Americans in the patrol was not known.

Later reports said when the American officers appeared one Soviet soldier jumped on to the highway and ordered them to halt. They did and he opened fire from only about 30 feet away but missed. The Americans withdrew shooting as they went. When the Russian was killed his comrades fled.—United Press.

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REDS RELEASE U.S. VICE-CONSUL IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, July 9.

The Communists released the U.S. Vice-Consul, Mr. William B. Olive, today. He was arrested on Wednesday in a minor traffic incident and beaten by police.

Mr. Olive was closeted immediately after his release with Consul-General, Mr. John Cabot. Mr. Olive was not permitted to comment upon his four days in gaol because, Mr. Cabot said, it "might endanger him."

Mr. Cabot would not say whether Mr. Olive had been injured at the hands of the Red police, but the Vice Consul was able to leave the gaol without aid. He seemed to bear no marks of violence.

First Consulate reports of the incident on Thursday said Mr. Olive became involved in a traffic jam as he apparently attempted to cross the line of a big parade observing the 12th anniversary of the Sino-Japanese war.

He was arrested and taken to a precinct police station, this account said, and during questioning, accidentally upset an ink bottle. Police took this to be an act of resistance.

Mr. Olive was knocked down by police, the despatch continued. Then when he sought to defend himself, he was beaten and kicked. He was handcuffed, thrown into a cell and held incommunicado although the Consul General was informed of his arrest.

Mr. Cabot would not say today whether Mrs. Olive had paid money to the police as she had been advised to do to obtain her husband's release.

Mrs. Olive was with her husband during the conference with Mr. Cabot immediately after his release. The session lasted more than an hour, during which time Mr. Cabot issued this statement:

"I have instructed Olive for his own protection to make no public statement regarding his case."

Telephone Co. Officials Held

Two officials of the American-owned Shanghai Telephone Company have been held in their offices for more than 24 hours by Chinese workers demanding a settlement of back pay.

The officials are the General Manager Mr. W. F. Flanley, and Industrial Relations Manager, Mr. Maxey Smith. Mr. Flanley said the company acknowledged an obligation to the workers.

"We are entirely in sympathy with them but we do not have the money to pay," he said.

The company exhausted its financial reserves meeting the June payroll, Mr. Flanley said, and has nothing to draw on. He added utility rates are so low the company cannot even meet its payroll.

"We applied to the Public Utility Bureau of the People's (Communist government) Bank for a loan to meet the payroll," Mr. Flanley said, "but have received no founds."—Associated Press

Court Upholds Sentence On Mindszenty

Budapest, July 9.

The Hungarian Court of Appeal today upheld the life sentence imposed on Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, Catholic Primate of Hungary.

The sentences of three of the Cardinals co-defendants were reduced by the court and those of three others were confirmed.

The court said it found no reason to reduce the sentence given the Cardinal by the People's Court on February 8 on charges of treason and blackmarketing.—United Press.

General Matthews Leaving

Major-General F. G. R. Matthews, having completed his tour of duty as General Officer Commanding, Land Forces, Hong Kong, will leave for the United Kingdom on Tuesday by air.

In the United Kingdom he will assume a further appointment the nature of which was not disclosed last night.

General Matthews succeeded Major-General Erskine, now General Officer Commanding British Troops in Egypt. He arrived here in June last year following his relinquishment of the post of Commandant of the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst.

During his command of British troops here during the past 12 months, Major-General Matthews had made a large number of friends who wish him success in his new appointment.

It is understood that a Guard of Honour will turn out on Tuesday to honour General Matthews.

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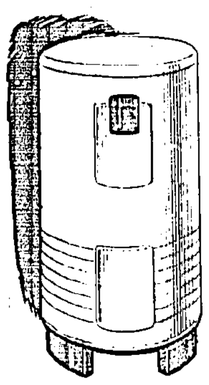

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KAI TAK TOPICS

A Pan American Hong Kong bound plane from Guam yesterday brought Mr. Theodore E. Averson into the Colony to set up equipment, while awaiting for the local Government to give the signal to begin construction of Hong Kong's new airfield at Deep Bay.

"Everything is very premature yet," said the American engineer, adding that his company has not yet the contract in hand but prospects are bright.

Mr. Averson is connected with Charles L. Corn Development Company and is here to assemble some equipment while business negotiations proceed.

Charles L. Corn is a construction concern well known throughout the South West Pacific.

It has been engaged in big construction jobs for the United States Army in Guam, Midway, Wake, Honolulu and the Philippines.

Mr. Averson said that the equipment the company has at present in Hong Kong includes some heavy crushers and that more tools — surpluses — are to come.

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On a world tour by Pan American are Dr. Robin C. Buerki, Vice President of the University of Pennsylvania, and his wife Mrs. Buerki, who is a writer on technical medical subjects and reports.

The couple are travelling round the world on a holiday and are spending two days in the Colony where it is all new to them.

Passing through different places in the world, Dr. Buerki has given impromptu lectures to medical students. India was the last stop where the university Vice President gave one of his medical discourses.

In the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Buerki is in charge of all medical affairs of the faculty.

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Mr. Peter Glavet, executive in charge of Braathens confirmed the report picked up by the "China Mail" that the airline is operating a weekly air service between Oslo and Hong Kong.

Until now, Braathens' flight out from Europe has been an irregular service, with no definite schedule.

A Braathen Skymaster flew in from Oslo with a crew of seven —including a pretty stewardess— and they will be stationed and quartered here. Braathens will begin their regular weekly service on August 1, it was learned.

RAF STATION HAS OWN BROADCAST SYSTEM

After three months of planning and overcoming technical and production difficulties, officers and airmen at R.A.F. Station, Tengah, near Singapore, have perfected the station's latest amenity, a broadcasting system of their own, linking each barrack block on the unit.

A room allotted for a studio was redecorated and furnished, and now has the appearance of an ordinary broadcasting studio. A large stock of records to suit all tastes was built up and a comprehensive catalogue produced. Radio Malaya, the civilian broadcasting network in Singapore, loaned out recordings of serials, plays, musical and variety programmes, and the Tengah Broadcasting System has now become very popular on the camp.

There is a team of four announcers, who take duty in turn, each with a programme assistant to manipulate the control panels and assist in the production of the programmes.

The programme directors encourage "live" broadcasts, sports talks, quizzes, and personal requests of wives and relatives in the United Kingdom.

The programmes begin with music from 6.45 to 7.30 a.m. They are resumed again during the lunch interval, from 12.45 to 1.30 p.m., and are continued in the evening from 6 to 10.00 p.m.

FUNERAL

Mrs. Maria Jose Graca

Funeral services for the Mrs. Maria Jose Graca who passed away suddenly at her residence at 14, Ashley Road, was held at the Happy Valley yesterday afternoon.

Chief mourners were Mr. Paquito Graca, Dr. H. P. L. Ozorio, Mr. Pepino Ozorio, Mr. Francis Ozorio, Mr. Jerry Ozorio and Mr. F. X. dAlmada.

Reverend Father Angelis officiated at the service.

Wreaths were sent by Dr. and Mrs. Robert Symons, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Manaloc, Dr. H. P. L. Ozorio, Thalia and Berto, Vera, Jose and Virginia and the Yung Family.

Friends who were present at the service included Mr. F. A. Silva, Mr. J. F. da Silva, Mr. F. da Barros, Mr. A. F. Farraira, Mr. A. V. Barros, Mr. M. F. Baptista, Mr. F. X. Manoel, Mr. B. A. Rocha, Mr. R. Silva-Netto, Mr. C. Vidna, Mr. F. M. da Silva, Mr. F. D. Rocha, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Manaloc, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fon, Miss Rosa Pereira, Mrs. J. Souza, Mr. E. V. M. B. Sousa and Mr. L. A. Gutierres.

Above photo shows Miss Eileen Poon who will be married to Mr. W. G. Humphreys on July 23. Miss Poon is well known among the local medical fraternity. "China Mail" photo.

Forthcoming Wedding

Miss Eileen Poon and Mr. W. G. Humphreys, two popular members of the Hong Kong Civil Service, will be married at the Registry, Supreme Court, on July 23.

Miss Poon is well known among the medical fraternity. She recently resigned from the Medical Department where she had worked for 14 years in the Physiotherapy Department.

Miss Poon is the second daughter of the late Mr. Poon Tat-man, one of the early members of the Kuomintang who worked with the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen for the overthrow of the Manchu Dynasty.

He was executed by the Japanese during the last war following his arrest in 1945. He was accused of engaging in underground operations against the Japanese.

Civilian internees during the war at Stanley will remember Miss Poon for the food parcels she managed to smuggle to them.

She was educated at the Holy Spirit School and matriculated with the intention of continuing studies at the Hong Kong University. However, she changed her mind and took up physiotherapy work in the Hong Kong Medical Department. Her first training was at the old Government Civil Hospital.

Mr. Humphreys is a Revenue Inspector in the Department of Commerce and Industry (former Import and Export Department). He has been in the Government service for the past 25 years, three years of which were served in the Hong Kong Police Force.

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WEDDING AT ROSARY CHURCH

The marriage took place yesterday at the Rosary Church, Kowloon between Miss Evelyn Margaret Souza and Mr. Leonardo Marcarlo Lopes. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. E. J. D. Souza.

The bridesmaids were the Misses Zulmira and Odett Souza and the best men were Messrs A. E. Xavier and M. G. Achiam. Miss Jilia Gomes was the flower girl. A reception was later held at the Parochial Hall of Rosary Church.

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MARRIAGE AT REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

Galina Ivanova Kamachkina, secretary, was married to James Francis, mariner, of No. 3, Tak Hing Terrace, at the Registrar's Office yesterday.

The witnesses were Chan Sling-wa and Chan Sing-kut.

MAIDSERVANT CAUTIONED

A maidservant was charged at Kowloon yesterday with larceny of a $10 bill from the handbag of a lady who was visiting her mistress.

Leung King, aged 21, was employed at 31, Nathan Road, first floor.

On Thursday, Mrs. Read of 12, Deana House, visited Mrs. Whitehead, the maid's mistress.

During the visit, Mrs. Read left her handbag which contained $170, in the drawing room while the hostess and the guest went to the dining room for tiffin.

At the table Mr. Whitehead mentioned to the guest that on a previous night he had lost $30 at his bedside.

This aroused the suspicion of Mrs. Read who went in the drawing room, after tiffin and checked her money.

She found that there was a $10 note missing.

The maid servant was taken to the police station where a search of her body revealed the money was in her possession.

Mr. J. Wicks cautioned the maid and also ordered defendant to be expelled from the Colony.

Funds Needed To Check Tuberculosis

Dr. S. N. Chau, chairman of the Anti-tuberculosis Association of Hong Kong told the "China Mail" yesterday that the Association is now appealing to the public for financial aid. Although donations are coming in the response so far is not up to expectations.

"In fact people are actually helping themselves in helping the T. B. Sanitarium, because the more cases that are treated the less danger there is of the disease spreading. People in good health can easily be infected in buses, cinemas and any places there are crowds."

The Ruttonjee Sanitarium is now practically full. Many had been cured under the good care at the sanitarium. They were sent home but were to return to the sanitarium frequently for a check up.

Early Cases

The sanitarium now takes in mostly early open cases as it is their policy to do so. These cases are considered to be most infectious and they have a chance to be cured under good care. Thus the family and the public can be spared of the infection, and less harm can be done to the community.

The sanitarium treats the patients with the best food, medical care and plenty of rest.

When financial conditions permit, there is to be set up patient clinics to carry out Mass Radiography and to establish a propaganda centre. Function of this centre is to issue pamphlets, booklets, give lectures, exhibitions and film shows to educate the people in the ways and means of preventing T. B.

Passengers In RMS Carthage

A number of passengers from the United Kingdom will disembark here when the RMS Carthage arrives on August 1. Among the passengers are some former residents returning from Home leave.

The Carthage, under the command of Mr. D.G.H.O. Baillie, left Southampton on July 1 and will stop at Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang and Singapore on the way to the Hong Kong.

Passengers for Hong Kong include:

Mr. J.C. Erskine-Hill, DSC, Mr. R.A.C. McCurrach, Mr. G.A. Abis, Miss G. Birchmeir, Mr. J.H. Carr, Sister L. Cassanigo, Mr. A. Charlton; Mrs. Charlton, child and infant, Miss C.Y. Chiu, Mr. Ping-Hsing Chu, Mr. P.W. Cossill, Mr. A.F. Hedges, Mr. G.M. Huang and child, Mr. K.S. Jordan; Mr. F. Lee, Mr. Y.T. Lee, Dr. K.C. Lo, Mrs. Lucock and child, Mr. P.W.L. Mo, Miss F.M. Moran, Dr. T.C. Pang, Mr. J.J. Parker, Mrs. M.F.A. Pierotti and two children, Mrs. J.A. Roberts, Mrs. L.M. Rodger, Sister A. Sampieri, Mr. A.W.M. Serjeant, Mr. D.W.T. Smithies, Mrs. Smithies, Mr. G. Stewart, Mr. B. Stiner, Mrs. Stiner and child, Mr. G.E. Tatler, Mr. G.A. Wallet, Mrs. Wallet, Mrs. J.G.M. Weld, Mrs. D. Williams and child, Mr. H.L. Yang.

J. A. WATTIE RUBBER CROPS

Details of the rubber crops harvested during June on the Malayan estates of J. A. Wattie and Company, Limited, were officially released by the company yesterday. They are:

	June (pounds)	Financial Year To date pounds	
Alma	58,000	493,000	(9 months)
Batu Anam	59,000	101,000	(3 months)
Clermor	68,000	197,000	(12 months)
Cliche	48,000	436,000	(12 months)
Gemambu	44,000	432,000	(12 months)
Rimah	47,000	161,000	(3 months)
Rompin Trust (Sultan Estate)	168,000	1,893,000	(9 months)
Ramengeh	58,000	493,000	(9 months)
Shamelah			
Muar	66,000	366,000	(6 months)
Sua Mahang	10,000	87,000	(2 months)
Tebong	96,000	817,000	(9 months)

Colony Not Affected By Dollar Import Suspension

Hong Kong is not affected by the British Government request to Colonial Govarnments to suspend temporarily issuance of licences for imports from dollar countries the "Sunday Herald" learned officially yesterday.

The request involves all British colonies except where compliance will have grave effects— and Hong Kong is one of the Colonies which would be adversely affected.

The new measure is apparently aimed at those Colonies which still offer official exchange to merchants to import certain categories of goods from dollar countries.

Provision of official exchange in Hong Kong ceased a year ago since when merchants have obtained the necessary dollar exchange from the open market to pay for their imports.

The dollar countries are Canada, Central America, Japan, Cuba, the Philippines, Portugal, South America, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United States of America.

Imports In May

Hong Kong's imports from hard currency areas during May amounted to HK$88,545,146 of the month's total imports of HK$233,301,076.

May's imports from hard currency areas were a record. The monthly average in 1947 was HK$42,668,660; in 1948 it was HK$49,007,830. The monthly average between January March this year was HK$55,272,400; and in April the total was HK$53,372,018.

A Reuter message from London yesterday said that the British Government has requested Colonial Governments to suspend temporarily the issue of all licences for imports from dollar countries, except in cases where such a step would have grave effects.

A spokesman of the Colonial Office said that the suspension was temporary pending the meeting of Commonwealth Finance Ministers beginning in London next week.

The suspension will correspond to the standstill order which the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, told Parliament this week has been operated since last month.

Jamaica today suspended for an indefinite period all imports from dollar areas, including Canada, adds Reuter.

British Guiana has announced suspension of the issue of licences for unessential dollar imports, according to Georgetown dispatch.

Mr. William Heape, Colonial Secretary, for British Guiana, stated that at the British Government's request the Colony proposed to make a complete review of the import programme, from Canada and the United States.

Malayan Action

From Singapore, Reuter reported that the governments of the Malayan Federation and Singapore officially announced yesterday that they had found it necessary to suspend temporarily the issue of licences for imports from the dollar areas, including Japan.

This was due to the deterioration of the dollar position in the sterling area. Exempt from the restriction would be exceptional cases where such a suspension would have grave effects.

Matriculation Exam Results

The results of the Matriculation Examination, held in June, will be published in the "China Mail" tomorrow.

The closing date for applications for the Faculties of Medicine and Engineering will be on July 25, it was officially stated yesterday.

Government Flats Given Reconditioning

Perhaps if Government were to spend a few dollars on joss and firecrackers, it would have better luck.

The HK$3,000,000 Government Leighton Hill Flats; less than a year old, need luck badly.

First, the walls cracked and ceiling plaster rained down. Later, part of the foundation began to sink; then, the approach road split open.

Today, the Flats are being given a complete new lining.

Recent heavy rains resulting in increased humidity, affected plaster on the walls and ceilings adversely to such an extent that the contractors had to be called in once again.

The "Sunday Herald" learned yesterday that this time the original contractors have to foot the bill for putting on a better quality plaster on the walls and ceilings.

DIOCESAN OLD GIRLS' REUNION

The Diocesan Old Girls' reunion of 1949 was held yesterday at the Diocesan Girls' School.

The chairman of D.O.G.A., Mrs. R. Symons gave a speech thanking Miss Hurrell, the headmistress of D.G.S. for her hospitality in lending the place and saying a few farewell words on account of Miss Walters' leaving the school. Miss Walters, one of the teachers of the school and a very active committee member, is going to Africa and then back to England.

Miss Hurrell then welcomed the old girls. There were many children of the old girls also. Then there were the old girls' husbands and some other boys who were neither guests nor husbands. Miss Hurrell called them "old girls" too, as from 1945-1946 DGS was co-educational.

The children were treated to cartoons shown in the lab.

The programme included dancing and refreshments.

TAILOR ON ASSAULT CHARGE

Wong Yuen-tat, aged 31, Shanghai tailor, was charged at Kowloon yesterday with assaulting and causing bodily harm to his foki.

It was alleged that on Friday, defendant's wife ordered Kwang Kan-fong, defendant's foki, to purchase a cinema ticket. She also asked the foki to wait for her at the cinema.

After booking the ticket the foki waited for his mistress but she did not turn up.

The foki returned to his master's shop, where he discovered that his mistress had waited for him instead.

This resulted in an argument between the mistress and the foki who was struck by his master with a bamboo stick.

A medical chit from the Kowloon Hospital, where the foki was treated, showed that he had suffered slight injuries.

Mr. Wicks ordered the case to be adjourned two days.

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Public subscriptions to the Hong Kong War Memorial Fund received between July 2 and July 9, inclusive:

"Cyclone" Monthly Contribution	$25.00
Members of the Committee of the Kowloon Cricket Club	$50.00
	$ 75.00
Received to July 2, 1949	HK$711,363.12
Total	HK$711,438.12

HKDF RECRUITS

Total number of HKDF recruits attested up to yesterday was 436, it was officially learned.

Personalia

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday included Mr. V. V. Krassovsky, Mr. and Mrs. S. N. O'Leary, Mr. C. F. Orr, Mr. F. J. Johnson and Miss J. V. Solejo.

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Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Friday included Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Cheng, Mr. N. H. Rosendahl, Mr. E. G. Bailey, Mr. J. Woodgate, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Eichholzer, Mr. M. J. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fernander, Mr. H. I. Smith, Mr. N. L. Knox, Mr. H. Naddler, Mr. E. Bruce, Mrs. M. B. Wells, Mr. I. H. Macdonald, Mr. H. G. Muller, Mr. J. D. Hardie, Mr. G. Sarthou, Miss B. Murphy, Miss L. Guider, Mr. A. L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Martin, Mr. H. W. Arnott, Mr. F. A. Norton, Mr. R. J. Boncham, Mr. A. J. Kane, Mr. H. A. Cohen, Miss V. Bothwell.

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Mrs. N. Haton arrived in the Colony yesterday by the ss. Shengking.

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Mr. H. E. Harlock, left Hong Kong for Singapore yesterday by the ss. Szechuen.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Jones, Mrs. D. Evans and Mr. H. N. Barnes were among the passengers who left for the United Kingdom yesterday by the ss. Cyclops.

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Departures for Inchon by the ss. Hupeh yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. M. F. M. Lindsay, Mr. and Mrs. Monton, the Reverend Mr. M. K. Mangan, Miss M. A. Wallis, Mr. M. H. Pironne, Mr. Lee Sang-doh, Mr. Kang Sung Doo, Mr. Park Chul Kyang, Mr. Kim, Moung Chong, Mr. Kim Chung Bo.

OFFICIAL NOTICES, APPOINTMENTS

Mr. James Jeavons Robson has been appointed to be an Engineer, Public Works Department, with effect from May 18.

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Mr. R. C. Bannister has been appointed to be a Scientific Officer, Royal Observatory, with effect from June 7.

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Miss Ella McKenzie McGibbon has been appointed to be a Nursing Sister with effect from June 7.

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Recruit A. M. Rodrigues, MBE, has been appointed to be a Major in the Hong Kong Defence Force and Officer Commanding the Mobile Medical Section.

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Recruit P. O. Phillips has been appointed to be a Captain in the Hong Kong Defence Force and Public Relations Officer of the Force.

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The Kam Loong Restaurant, Limited, will be struck off the Companies Register unless cause to the contrary is provided within three months.

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A full list of the candidates who have passed the Nurses Board Examination was published in the "Government Gazette" yesterday.

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The list of Special Jurors shall not exceed 250 names, according to an order made by the Governor-in-Council.

LICENSING BOARD ELECTION

An election by the Justices of the Peace of a Justice of the Peace to act as a member of the Licensing Board during the absence of Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, from the Colony will take place in the Council Chamber of the Urban Council on July 22 at 4 p.m.

Forms of nomination may be obtained at the Central Magistracy, Hong Kong.

Every nomination must be delivered to the First Magistrate (F. X. D'Almada e Castro), the Central Magistracy, Hong Kong, not less than four clear days before the day fixed for the election.

The only persons entitled to vote at the election are the unofficial Justices of the Peace.

Voting will commence at 4 p.m. and continued until 6 p.m. when the ballot-box will be closed.

IMPORTED GOLD WITHOUT PERMIT

Wong Chu-ling, Chinese woman, aged 23, was fined $870 by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday for importing gold without a permit from the Department of Industries and Commerce.

Defendant was arrested at the Kowloon Railway Station on Friday during a routine search of incoming passengers from Canton.

Her gold, consisting of five bars, weighed approximately 4.25 taels, and two ornaments weighing approximately 2.10 taels, were found hidden on her person.

Before defendant was searched by a woman searcher, defendant was asked whether she carried any gold and she replied in the negative.

Mr. Wicks also ordered that the gold to be returned to her on paying the fine.

BUMPER EDITION OF GAZETTE

The biggest in size since weight control of the Hong Kong Government Gazette" since the end of the war was issued yesterday.

Some 222 pages were devoted entirely to the names and addresses of Special and Ordinary Jurors.

RICKSHA COOLIE GAOLED FOR THEFT

For stealing a jacket containing a handkerchief and three 10-cent notes from an unidentified European, Ngai Ying-yim, aged 24, rickshaw coolie, was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

Defendant was arrested by the police on Nathan Road near Austin Road at about 11 p.m. on Thursday night.

Before defendant was arrested the police saw defendant pulling a European, who was apparently drunk, from Hillwood Road to Austin Road where the European alighted.

After that, the police also saw defendant putting a Western-style jacket into a compartment under the rickshaw's seat.

At the police station defendant admitted that he had stolen the jacket from the European.

The police believed that the unidentified European had left the Colony on a boat.

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If He'd Only Kept On Talking

A touch of humour was provided in the court proceedings at Central yesterday by an almost toothless elderly Chinese man of 64, Yui Cheung.

Charged with a breach of expulsion order, he told the magistrate that he had come back because of the death of his wife and that he had to take his daughter back to the village.

After being told that this was his fourth similar offence, the magistrate asked defendant whether this was the fourth death of his wife.

"I'll sentence you to one year and rebanishment" said Mr. Hin-Shing Lo.

"But, I'll die before the sentence expires" interpolated defendant, and raising his hands in a worshipping attitude added "will three months be alright, your worship?"

"Alright, I'll take three months off" said the magistrate," and let you serve nine months instead."

Still persisting, bowing and raising his hands up and down, defendant made his final bid, "How about six months, your worship?"

And six months it was finally.

Food Prices Still Show Upward Trend

The prices of fresh food and certain tinned foodstuffs have increased considerably during the past two years. In some instances prices have increased by more than 100 per cent.

The committees governing the Government Vegetable and Fish markets are still discussing means for bringing down the retail prices of vegetables and fish.

Prices of vegetables and fish registered a big increase during the past two weeks.

As reported previously, both foreign and Chinese restaurants have put up the prices of certain dishes by at least 10 per cent.

Whereas the official average wholesale price of garoupa for the week ended on Thursday was HK$2.94 a catty, yesterday the price at the Central Market was HK$4.50 acatty.

Macao Sole was sold at HK$3.20 a catty as compared with the official wholesale price of HK$1.05 a catty.

Fresh eggs are selling at only four to the dollar as compared with between six and eight a few weeks back.

Price comparisons for the month of July follow:

	1947 HK$	1948 HK$	Today HK$
Beef	2.20	2.40	4.00
Pork	3.00	2.60	5.60
Mutton	1.85	1.56	4.00
Chicken	4.00	3.60	7.00
Duck	2.50	1.80	3.00
Macao Sole	2.60	2.20	3.20
Fresh Water Fish	1.40	1.00	2.80
Lobsters	2.80	3.60	5.60
Shrimps	2.50	2.60	3.00
Chicken eggs	.16 (each)	.12 (each)	.28 (each)
Duck eggs	.18 (each)	.12 (each)	.26 (each)
Potatoes	.50	.50	.80
Onions	.50	.60	.60
Peanut oil	2.40	2.20	2.00
Tomatoes	1.60	—	2.80
Garoupa	4.00	—	4.50
Rice (New Territories)	.85	.80	.70

Following are the official average wholesale prices of fish for the week ending July 7:

	Fresh HK$	Salt HK$
Yellow croaker	1.05	1.70
Croaker	.86	1.14
Golden thread	1.24	1.15
Grouper	2.94	1.23
Red snapper	1.84	1.32
Horse head	1.30	.82
Red sea bream	1.34	1.03
Lizzard fish	.73	.64
Conger pike	1.21	.61
White pomfret	2.31	2.26
Hair Tail	.99	.84
Macao sole	1.05	.85
Crevalle	1.15	1.13

Inquiry Into Loss Of Inchmark

The Governor has directed that a Marine Court shall be set up on Tuesday, July 12, to investigate the loss of the British steamer Inchmark, which struck a reef in the Arafura Sea on May 29 and was declared a total loss.

The members of the Court, to be held at the Marine Court, Connaught Road, Central, will be the Acting Director of Marine, Mr. Neil Garland (Marine Magistrate), Lieutenant Commander J. P. Stirling, RN., Captain J. W. Tinson, Captain F. N. Booth and Captain H. J. Cairns.

The Inchmark, owned by S. T. Williamson and Company, struck the Schidpad Reef at high tide en route from Sydney to Hong Kong on the morning of 29. She run into the rocky amidship and rested on the hump for 25 days.

Fined For Assault

Two relatives, Chan Wai, aged 53 and Chan Kau, aged 32, glared at each across the dock railings in Central yesterday when they came up before Mr. Hin-Shing Lo as complainant and defendant.

The charge was that of common assault.

Inspector Dewar said that complainant made a report to Eastern Police station that defendant was going to assault him. Later in the day, complainant went back to the Police station, almost fainting, and reported that he had been assaulted.

He told the court the defendant's brother lived in the same premises as he, and defendant often visited him as late as two or three o'clock in the morning, creating a lot of noise. Complainant was assaulted with the fist when he told defendant not to create a nuisance at a such late hour.

Defendant at first pleaded not guilty, but later admitted that he pushed defendant, whereupon he was convicted and fined $25. Defendant was bound over in the sum of $300 for one year and ordered to pay a compensation of $25 to complainant.

FINED FOR ASSAULT ON WAITRESS

Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday imposed a fine of $50 on Ho Kam-man, on a charge of assaulting Lo Ying, aged 23, a waitress at the Tai Tung Restaurant, on Friday. Defendant was also ordered to pay a compensation of $200 to the waitress.

Mr. J. Stewart told the court that his client is sorry for what he had done and is willing to pay complainant compensation. The management of the hotel is willing to take the waitress back into service and she can go back to her job now.

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NOTICE

THE ORTHODOX CHURCH COMMUNITY OF HONG KONG

Members are reminded that a general meeting will be held on July 12, Tuesday, at 5.30 p.m., in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Nathan Road, Kowloon. The agenda will include:

1.—Report of the Provisional Committee,

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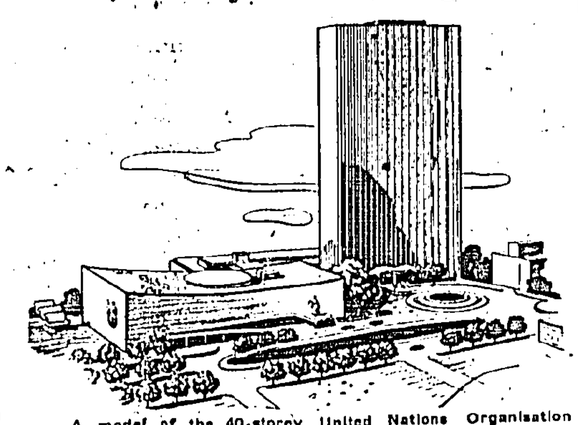

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Slovakian Rioting Sentences

Prague, July 8.

The Communist newspaper Rude Pravo" reported today that nine persons have been sentenced at Kosice to terms of imprisonment up to 10 years on charges of rioting in the Slovak town of Levoc.

Two others were acquitted.

This is the first report published in Prague of the trial, which took place on July 1.

Because of a telephone mishearing it was wrongly reported yesterday that two persons were to be executed following the trial.

The official announcement of the sentences, issued in Bratislava yesterday, said the charges related to acts of violence and robbery in Levoc on June 25.

In a comment, "Rude Prave" said today that large attendances at Saints Day celebrations organised last week-end by the Government-backed Catholic Action proved that the Church hierarchy has been isolated and foiled in its attempt to start a movement to discredit the State.—Reuter.

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Vote On Atlantic Treaty

Washington, July 8.

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The opponents of the Pact are expected to muster no more than 10 votes. They will need more than a third of the 96 votes to defeat the ratifying Bill.

Senator Robert Taft, Chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee, told reporters today that he may vote against the Atlantic Pact because he thinks it probably cannot be separated from the proposed foreign arms programme.

Earlier, he told the Senate that he is absolutely opposed to providing arms for Europe.

The Administration expects soon to send to Congress a $1,459 million foreign arms programme. Most of it will be spent to help Atlantic Pact nations.—Reuter.

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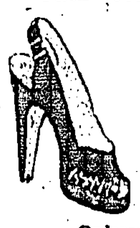

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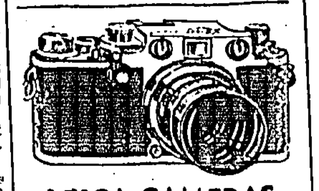

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By R.H. Naylor

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

JANUARY

Contacts made in next few days should prove extremely fortunate but surprising. It may be necessary to re-adjust your ideas rather suddenly. Difficult patch on Wednesday but rest of week should be happy and progressive.

FEBRUARY

(January 19-February 18)

If an employer, allow for staff changes in near future. If employed, you are likely to be put on to a new job or have some change made in your environment. First half of week fortunate for money matters but difficult period due on Saturday.

MARCH

(February 19-March 20)

A windfall or surprise visit from a prosperous friend due in next few days. Rest of week may prove somewhat tedious, though there is a chance of a fortunate deal being arranged on Friday. Look after health.

APRIL

(March 21-April 20)

Business undertaking that has been maturing for some months should reach a satisfactory conclusion in next few days. Monday and Wednesday both potentially important. Success in latest scheme may entail personal reshuffles later in month.

MAY

(April 21-May 20)

Be careful when engaged in legal business or signing new contract this week. The later in the week you complete arrangements the better. Allow for possibility of messages or letters miscarrying.

JUNE

(May 21-June 20)

Easy to be provoked into rash action in next few days, so be careful. Better take life rather more slowly than usual, be cautious about new undertakings. Thursday probably your most generally propitious day.

JULY

(June 21-July 20)

Something happens to the person most closely associated with you, and your fortunes are likely to benefit in consequence. But be ready for changes in near future and probably travel later. Somewhat tense atmosphere probable in family during first half of week.

AUGUST

(July 21-August 21)

You may get opportunity to "cash in" on some scheme that has been in mind since New Year. Necessary, though, to get the right co-operation, particularly mid-week. Friday may bring news that entails re-arrangement of plans for next three months.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22-September 22)

Surprise developments in a scheme that involves a close friend and possibly youngsters in the family. Windfalls probable early in week, but expenditure over the seven days may be heavier than usual. Beware scandal and mischief-making.

OCTOBER

(September 23-October 23)

Domestic arrangements may have to be altered rather suddenly—probably before Wednesday. Arrival of an old friend may necessitate complete change of plan. Somewhat difficult week for money matters—keep clear of speculation and beware extravagance.

NOVEMBER

(October 24-November 22)

Letters and documents play an important part in what happens this week. Probably, you sign a new contract or make an interesting arrangement by letter. Stroke of good fortune develops through an older woman or former client.

DECEMBER

(November 23-December 20)

Don't worry if financial crisis materialises in next few days. Play for time as much as possible, but be ready to face commitments later in the months. Don't attempt too much by correspondence; remember the personal touch counts for a good deal this week.

SUNDAY, JULY 10:

FOR MOST OF US: Likely to be a somewhat critical day in personal affairs. It may be necessary to plan far reaching changes either for relatives or in your own domestic circle. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE Bright yellow: 1, Diamond.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Although this year is not likely to prove an easy one to negotiate, it will be worthwhile facing problems with courage. Important decisions will be necessary within a short time, and on the moves you make in the coming 12 months will depend your happiness and prosperity for some time to come.

It will be useless trying to sidestep far reaching changes. Whether you like the idea or not, certain re-arrangements will have to be made about Christmas time or in the New Year. They are not likely to spring upon you suddenly; you will have a good idea of what is about to happen some months before.

Money problems will not arise to any great extent. What changes you undertake this year are not likely to affect your income drastically. They may, however, affect your prospects of inheritance or of security in a few years time.

A change of residence is very likely and, if you have been planning to go abroad, the beginning of 1950 may see you on the move. Incidentally, it is a good year for buying land or houses.

Your family life will reshape itself rather drastically in the next 12 months, but oddly enough, what changes lie ahead will affect the older generation rather than the youngsters. If in lose touch with parents, you may have to modify your own plans in order to suit altered conditions among the older generation

MONDAY, JULY 11:

FOR MOST OF US: Excellent beginning to the business week, it should be easy to negotiate profitable deals, get good prices for merchandise, this morning. Beware contention this evening. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Royal purple, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

This is likely to be an eventful and on the whole a very prosperous year. Unless you are firmly settled into a groove or unusually obtuse, you will find that business opportunities are more plentiful than usual. It will be your own fault if you do not end the year with cash in hand.

Your income should take a leap up—probably unexpectedly—in the New Year. At the same time expenses are likely to increase and you may have to launch out socially. But if you keep your wits about you, it should be possible to do very well in the period between January and your 1950 birthday.

Although the year will be fortunate, it is hardly likely to be a settled period in your life. You may have to face up to one emergency after another, introduce changes into both your business and domestic life. If in doubt, bear in mind that new schemes and undertakings are the most likely to flourish. You will make many new friends this year—some of them prosperous and influential. Hence, link-ups of 1949/50 may prove helpful in the financial sense for some years to come.

If still single, romantic experiences are ahead, probably in January and February. Marriage may come about in quite an unexpected fashion. If already settled there will be far-reaching changes in the household and the family circle before the middle of 1950.

TUESDAY JULY 12:

FOR MOST OF US: Originality pays today; don't stick to routine or convention. Probably better for social life and personal affairs than for money-making. FOR LUCK WEAR OR USE: Lavender, 7, Opal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Take your courage in both hands and try to strike out on a new line this year. If you have some originality or unusual personality, you should do well in 1949/50.

The early days of 1950 are likely to prove an interesting and exciting period in your affairs. Contacts you make about that time will prove unexpectedly important and also endure longer than you anticipated. Both in business and in personal life a new atmosphere prevails.

There seems little need to worry about money provided you keep clear of speculation. Gambling and hazardous deals are not likely to do you much good during the coming 12 months. Be content with your regular source of income.

Travel opportunities are likely and would be worth taking, particularly about October of 1949 and March 1950. But from the point of view of money making and material prosperity, it would probably be better to stay where you are for a few months longer.

It will be an outstanding and unusual period in your personal life. You make link-ups that open up new mental and spiritual horizons although close friends and relatives may be at variance with you for a time. If you have any interest in the arts or occult studies, it should develop rapidly in the next few months.

WEDNESDAY JULY 13:

FOR MOST OF US: Courageous tactics pay well; don't hesitate to cut clean through difficulties, take an original line. Surprise for many this afternoon. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Vermilion, 9 Ruby.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Success this year depends upon how much courage and originality you possess. If you can take a bold line, cut clean from irritating and restricting ties, it could be a most successful period. If you are content with a purely routine existence, then you will find life disappointing.

Relatives and old friends will probably advise a policy of caution, but if you listen to them you will miss many valuable opportunities. Early in 1950 a chance to assert yourself, tackle something new and more congenial than your present occupation will probably materialise.

If new schemes involve travel, don't hesitate. You will probably get a chance to go abroad some time between Christmas of this year and Easter of 1950. If you do not leave the country, then your new work will probably have a good deal to do with foreign trade or involve contact with foreigners.

Mentally too, it will be a stimulating period. You are likely to revise many of your present ideas before you are a year older. Also, some new interest taken up early in 1950 is likely to become all engrossing and may possibly lead to a change of occupation.

Family life may be rather disturbed this year, chiefly because you find older people over critical and domineering. But new friendships will bring compensation for anything you miss in existing friendships and relationships. It still single, one of these new link-ups may lead to a hasty marriage in 1950.

THUESDAY JULY 14:

FOR MOST OF US: Good for routine business and also for interviews. Don't spend much time alone; you will miss a good deal if you are not sociably inclined. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Pale grey, 5, Topaz.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Although this year is not likely to prove an important one in your existence, it will probably remain in your memory as a varied and interesting period. You get about a good deal more than usual, make many friends in 1949/50, but it is unlikely that important changes would come about.

Although far reaching reshuffles are not advisable, do make an effort to bring your methods up to date. A modern outlook and alert brain will serve you well throughout the year. Also, you will probably be able to revolutionise certain aspects of your work or business.

Money problems should not worry you particularly and you may make a little through speculation. But it would not be advisable to risk anything more than small sums this way. Most probably August will be the most fortunate period for gambles of this kind.

You may travel, but lengthy journeys or overseas voyages are not likely. Most probably you will move about more than usual in connection with your work or pay visits to relatives. A change of residence would not be advisable this year.

Many fresh personalities will come into your life this year, but only one is likely to make a deep impression upon you. A new friendship probably dating from August this year is likely to make a considerable difference to your outlook and your future. If you have much to do with young people or children, you will find that ties of this kind bring considerable happiness.

FRIDAY JULY 15.

FOR MOST OF US: A controversial but potentially successful day. Good for changes and cash deals, but unsuitable for sport. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Orange, 1, Diamond.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Although you will have to face a good deal of criticism and opposition, this year is likely to remain in your memory as one of profitable and fortunate changes. If you have anything of the fighter in your character, you will probably enjoy the many adventures ahead.

Don't hesitate to embark on far reaching changes, to take business risks, to act on your own initiative. There will be a certain amount of danger in whatever you attempt this year, but it will be worthwhile taking chances all the same. You will probably benefit in health and would certainly increase your income by so doing.

A house move would be worthwhile, but lengthy travel is not advisable. If you have to be much on the move, remember that accident risk is rather high this year and be careful. You need have no serious apprehension, though, about health upsets.

Certain responsibilities may be thrust upon you early in 1950, but you need not shrink from them. You will probably find that emergencies bring out the best in your nature, and that you are able to take the lead, organise your fellow workers or friends.

It is a good year for marriage, provided you can face up to critics and mischief makers. If already settled, your domestic life should be happy enough, but beware trouble with brothers, sisters, or neighbours. A point to remember is that however cautious and conventional you may be, there is some danger of a scandal in 1949/50.

SATURDAY JULY 16:

FOR MOST OF US: Likely to be a day of disconnected incidents and upset plans. Better to leave anything important until Monday. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Wine red, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

However carefully you may plan or however cautious you are by nature, this is likely to prove a chaotic year in your affairs. Arrangements that seem unshakable may fall through, while on the other hand, casual undertakings do well. Throughout the year it will be difficult to see just where you are going.

One point to remember is that it will be well to keep on the right side of the conventions. You may have unorthodox ideas or be thoroughly discontented with your lot, but it is not wise to give expression to your restlessness. If you can put up with existing conditions until your next birthday, you will find that you have avoided a good deal of trouble.

Your problems will be concerned not so much with money as with disturbing behaviour on the part of associates and with unforeseen changes in business conditions. Again and again your arrangements will be upset by some clash with officials or by new regulations.

Although you will probably get an opportunity to travel, it would not be wise to do so in 1949/50. Lengthy journeys would prove disappointing and you would find that conditions at home deteriorated in your absence.

Your personal life will be interesting but unsettled this year. New link-ups will be stimulating but may bring you into dispute with your usual friends and associates. It is not a good year for marriage; if single be content to remain so a little longer. If already married, try to keep relatives from interfering in your domestic affairs.

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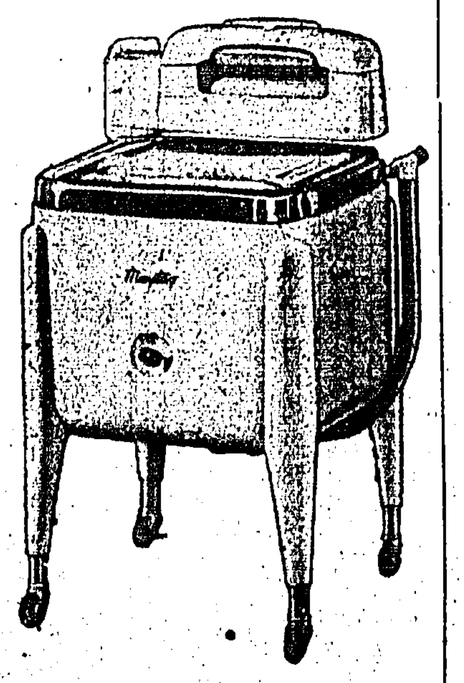

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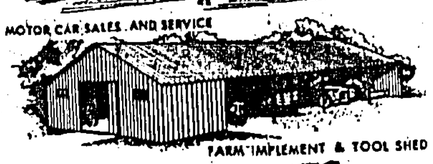

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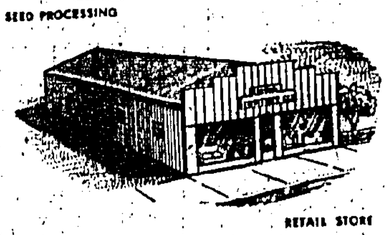

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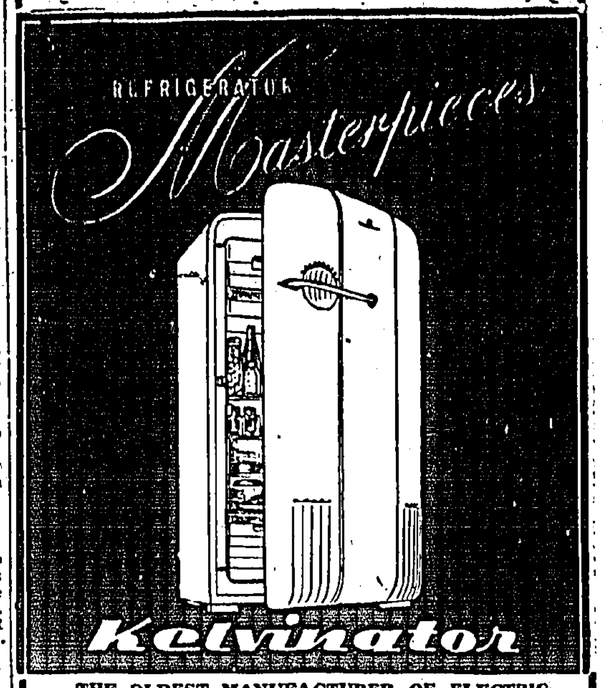

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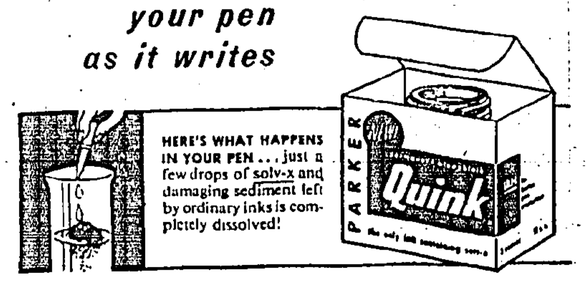

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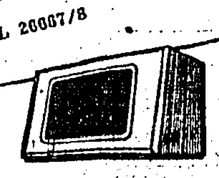

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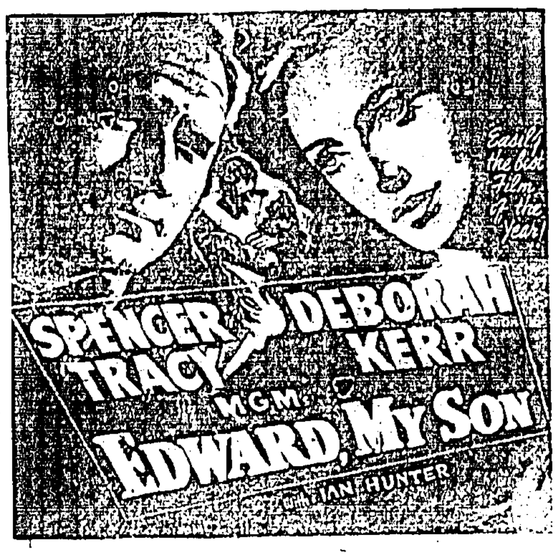

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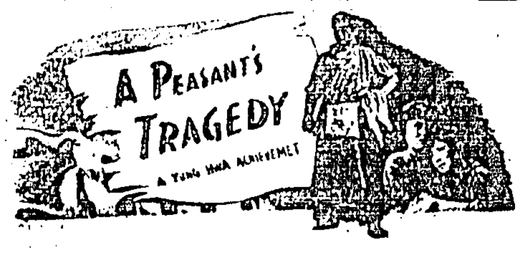

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PROPAGANDA OFFENSIVE BY KOREAN COMMUNISM

Washington, July 8.

United States officials said today that the Soviet-controlled North Korean Government is engaged in another propaganda offensive designed to develop anti-foreign sentiment and create confusion in the independent Republic of South Korea.

That is their reaction to reports that the Communist Government of North Korea has announced that it will sponsor nationwide elections in September.

The elections will be for an all-Korea government for both Communist - dominated North Korea and the Republic of South Korea which came into being under the United Nations sponsorship.

It is not yet certain whether the United States will make a formal statement on the North Korean announcement. Some officials feel that it would be unwise to dignify this obvious propaganda manoeuvre by issuing any formal statement. The consensus of officials appears to be that the Communist announcement lacks any sincere desire to achieve unification of the country which is split at the 38th parallel.

They cite the Communist demand that the United Nations Commission which observed the establishment of the South Korean Republic leave the country at once and that leaders of the present South Korean Government would be treated as national traitors.

They think that these points show that the Communists have no desire to work for the unification of the country.

Two envoys of the Korean Republic said here that the Northern regime acknowledges its own illegality by calling for elections on September 15.

Ambassador John Chang and Lt. Chogh Cho Guh Pyangok, personal representative of the Republican President, Syngman Rhee, served a joint statement saying it is obvious from the election announcement itself that the familiar pattern of Communist 'elections' the world around is to be repeated with decisions all signed and sealed before the election is held.

Moscow's Latest

Radio Moscow said today that America is starving Southern Korea by sending Korean rice to Japan. The broadcast, quoting the Red Air Force paper, "Stalinski Sokol," said: "Under the so-called Korean-Japanese agreement 16,000,000 Yen worth of rice will be sent to Japan this year, thereby dooming the population of South Korea to death by starvation.

"American monopolists are doing everying to convert South Korea into their colony. Under the guise of economic aid they are flooding the market of South Korea with goods which cannot be sold elsewhere. Life is different in North Korea. The People's Government has long ago passed a law on an eight-hour working day, effected land reform releasing peasants from the landlord bondage and is taking measures to raise the material and cultural standards of the working masses."

The paper called on the "united democratic patriotic front" to rally "forces of patriotic parties and public organisations of the country which are fighting for the withdrawal of American troops from Southern Korea and for the unification of Korea into an independent democratic state."—United Press.

BERLIN FINANCES IN MESS

Berlin, July 8.

Britain, France and the United States today ordered Berlin's Western Administration to take energetic steps to remedy the grave state of the city's finances, caused mainly by political events during the past 12 months.

In a letter to the Lord Mayor, Herr Ernst Reuter, the Western Allied Kommandatura instructed him to:

1. Submit a new and balanced budget for the present financial year by August 1.
2. Submit monthly budgets up until that date for approval of the Komandatura.
3. Make available to the Kommandatura all the accounts of the City Treasury, including a statement of its true indebtedness.
4. End inter-departmental borrowing and engage in no further loans except as approved by the Kommandatura.
5. Have clue regard in the budget for the programme of piling stocks of food and raw materials in Berlin.

The letter noted that the present budget includes a deficit of 100 million marks. The three Western sectors are receiving subsidies from Western Germany at the rate of 30 million marks monthly. They also received 60 million marks of credits from the Military Governors, out of Marshall Plan counterpart funds.

A British spokesman said that aid from these funds will gradually be eliminated in the next four months in accordance with the Marshall Plan undertaking to use such resources for capital reconstruction only.

"Although the Western Zones have already demonstrated their willingness to help Western Berlin, Berlin will be expected to make every possible effort to help itself by increased taxation and a drastic reduction in expenditure," he added.—Reuter.

TYPHUS SCOURGE

Ragusa, July 8.

A typhus epidemic is today reported to be spreading in the South Eastern Sicilian Province where 200 cases are so far known.

Supplies of vaccine are being flown in from Italy.—Reuter.

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Traffic Cop Uncovered Smuggling

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The discovery of an international tobacco smuggling gang with headquarters on a Mediterranean island was announced by the Rome police today.

Investigations began a month ago when a man was stopped for speeding by traffic police in Rome. They found his car stuffed with contraband cigarettes.

They discovered that cigarettes were being ferried by motor-boat from the island of Giannutri, 30 miles off Civita Vechia, to the mainland.

The police have arrested a Frenchman and an Italian and detained 23 other people, including two women, for questioning.—Reuter.

Palestine Frontier Decision

Syrian-Israeli border, July 8.

Syrian forces are to withdraw from the territory West of the old Palestine mandate border, the Military Armistice Committee of the two countries decided here today.

The withdrawal will apply to the whole region with the exception of a five-kilometre stretch in the Southern sector about which discussions are to be continued.

At a fixed date, Syrian and Israeli forces along the armistice lines are to be reduced to a minimum, to be established at the next meeting of the negotiators.

Colonel Mackeff, head of the Israeli delegation, refused to disclose the date.

The territory to be evacuated by the Syrians includes the settlement of Mishmar Hayarden and the areas East of Lake Tiberiffs. The evacuated regions will be proclaimed emilitarised zones and neither side will be allowed to station forces there.

The negotiators meet again on Sunday for what will be their last meeting before the signature of the armistice agreement, which is expected next week.—Reuter.

Refugees Receive Extention

Manila, July 9.

China refugees have received a four-month extension of Philippine hospitality, enabling them to remain in this country until October 31, if necessary, while awaiting resettlement in other lands.

The Philippines opened its doors last February to persons fleeing from the Communist conquerors in China. They have been housed and cared for in a resettlement camp operated by the International Refugee Organisation and the Philippine government on the 990-acre tropical island of Tubabao off the Southern end of Samar.

The present population of the refugee camp is some 5,000 persons, the majority of whom are White Russians making their second great mass escape from Communism.

They, or their ancestors, ran away from Russia at the time of the Red revolution.

The Philippine Government had set June 30, 1949, as the deadline for closing the Tubabao camp. The IRO asked for an extension on the grounds that it was impossible to process and find new homes for the refugees by that date.

The resettlement has gone slowly. The largest single group to leave the camp so far has been approximately 500 who accepted haven in Australia.

Complications

The relocation has been complicated by the fact that many of the refugees have been "choosy" about where they are to live. Some are afraid to go to Europe because of the proximity to Communism. Some hesitate to accept offers from South American, feeling that the opportunities there are not so great relatively.

A large number of the refugees hope to go to the United States even though IRO officials and others have told them that the U.S. can take only a small quota of displaced persons. Their desire to go to America has slowed down resettlement in some instances.

Under the Philippine extension agreement, the IRO must send at least 1,250 China refugees to new homes each month from July through October.

President Elpidio Quirino approved in principle a foreign office recommendation that the Philippines allow some scientists and technicians among the refugees to remain in this country, providing they do not accept employment in lines where there are Philipino technicians.

No Complaints

The Tubabao camp has been operated in an orderly manner, without major disagreement between the refugees and the administration. The Philippine Government has had little cause to complain about the conduct of the visitors.

The only unsavory incident was the case of a 17-year-old White Russian girl who entertained an American man after curfew. The Filipino guards handled the American roughly and later officials recommended the girl's deportation. IRO authorities took steps to prevent violation of camp rules by outsiders.—United Press.

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12.40 p.m.—"Hong Kong Calling."
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1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
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9.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials." (London Relay).
9.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
9.11 p.m.—Interlude.
9.15 p.m.—Symphony Concert. Bach: Concerto in D Minor for Piano and Orchestra.... Harriet Cohen (Piano) and The Philharmonia Orchestra cond: by Walter Susskind. Ravel: Introduction and Allegro for Harp, with strings and Woodwind accomp: Virtuoso String Quartet with J Cockerill, R. Murchie and C Draper. Brahms: Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 73.... Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.
10.30 p.m.—London Studio Melodies.... Mantovani and His Orchestra. (BBCTS).
11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel. (London Relay).
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Summary of News from China.
11.20 p.m.—Epilogue. (BBCTS).
11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

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10.30 a.m.—Interval Signal.
10.32 a.m.—Church Service Light Music Organ Melodies.
12.00 p.m.—Dance Music.
12.30 p.m.—Sports Results.
12.40 p.m.—Interval Signal.
12.42 p.m.—Lunch Time Music.
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FAMINE THREAT IN IRAN

Karachi, July 8.

The Government of Iran has requested Pakistan to ship immediately 6,000 tons of wheat and 2,000 tons of maize urgently required because famine is threatened in the Iranian province of Seistan.

The famine threat resulted from the alleged decision of the Afghanistan Government to divert the normal course of the River Helmen into Afghanistan, turning the fertile province of Seistan into a desert.—Associated Press.

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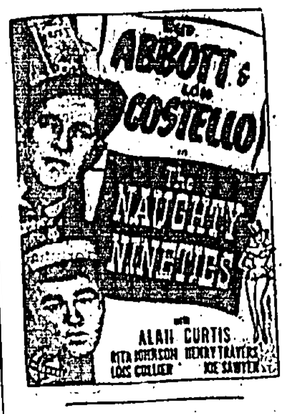

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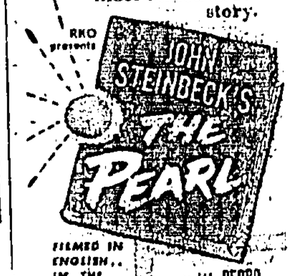

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Patrick Campbell's Piece

"I have the deed here," said the lawyer, "if you would care to have a look at it."

"Thank you," I said, "I'd just like to run my eye over one or two salient points."

One of the things you have to do when buying a house is to give the lawyers hundreds of pounds. I wanted to know why.

I opened the deed. Eleven pages, about two feet square, covered with double-spaced typing.

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"This INDRE made the 22nd day of June 1907 Be:wn The Persons whose names are set forth in the 1st column of the 1st Schle hrto (hrnar called 'The 1st Mtgees') of the 1st pt the psons whose names are set out in the Second Schle hrto (hrnar called 'The Subsequent Mortgagees') of the 2nd pt M—J—of Old Jewry in the City of London Chartered Accountant (hrnar called 'the Tree in Bank-rupcy') of the 3rd pt....."

I stopped. The Tree in Bankrupcy? The Second Schle hrto hrnar was bad enough. But the Tree in Bankruptcy!

"This tree," I said, "is it on my property, or is it, perhaps, in the custody of the court. I see there's been a bankruptcy action——"

"Trustee in bankruptcy," said the lawyer, without looking up.

There was a long silence. I thought he might say something more. Then illumination came. "Ah," I said, "tree is short for trustee!"

"That's right," said the lawyer. "You know the story of the soli-

citor who was reading the lesson in church, and said, 'I see men like trustees walking.'"

"No," I said, "I don't know that one."

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There was another long pause. "Just so that I'll know where I am," I said, "could you possibly tell me what INDRE means?"

"Indenture," said the lawyer. He was busy with some other documents.

"I see," I said. "Oddly enough, indenture happens to be one of those words that I've never really fully understood the meaning of. It's one of those words like egregious that sometimes crop up, and you can't tell exactly——"

"It's an indented document," said the lawyer.

"Yes," I said. "But indented in what way?"

The lawyer opened and closed his fingers like a pair of scissors. "Notched," he said—"indented. They used to indent them in the old days, but, of course, we don't do it any more now." He smiled, in a friendly way, and went back to his work. I went back to the deed.

"AND WHEREAS the Subsequent Mtgees are reply Mtgees are reply Mtgees (subsequent in priority to the 1st Mtgees) undr the mtges and chges set opposite to the respive names of the 1nt Mtgees in the 4th column of the 2nd Schle hrto AND WHEREAS . . ."

I read on with spasmodic interest.

Page 9: "NOW THIS INDRE WITNESSETH that in pursce of the ppal Indre and in consn of the prems each of the Pchsrs doth hrby for himself his hrs and assns covt with the Estate Trees their hrs and assns that he his hrs and assns will drug—"

"When you come across something like Pchsrs in a thing like this," I asked the lawyer, how do you pronounce it—to yourself, I mean."

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He looked at me over the top of his glasses. "Purchasers," he said.

I turned to the last page. I sat up. I'd discovered an absolutely salient point.

I'm not allowed to do any lime burning on my new property! To give the exact wording: "No psons shall prmt any brick makg or lime burng to be carrd on."

I handed the deed back to the lawyer. "Thank you," I said. "I think everything's O.K."

It was a lucky thing I'd spotted that last clause. I shouldn't care to be thrown out just after we'd moved in, simply because of burning a few bucketfuls of lime.

I always say if you want a thing done well it's advisable to do it yourself.

Correspondence

Dear Sir,

I was interested to read your article on felt, Page 6, June 12th, which unfortunately shows a woeful ignorance of the facts. I am the Managing Director of the largest felt manufacturing concern in this country. We have supplied felt for floor coverings for over 50 years, not only in private houses, but throughout large departmental stores, over which the public are passing dny by dny. It will wear; it is double the width of carpet, and so extremely economical to purchase; it is moth proofed; it can be dyed to any shade; it can be printed. I enclose a sample of the branded article and I invite you to try to wear it out by pounding, by vibration, or by a crushing motion or any test you like. If you might like to correct your statements in a subsequent article.

Yours faithfully,
T. D. Mitchell.

TDM:HLR encl.

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Dear Mr. Mitchell,

THANK you very much for your letter, and the piece of HLR encl. It arrived on Wednesday morning, rather a difficult time for me, as I had arranged to go to Ascot. I rang up the other people, however, and excused myself, explaining that I had to crush some felt.

I have been busy at this ever since. You might like to have the details, and my report.

Wednesday: 9.30 a.m. I put a plate of fried sausages on one side, and tried to eat the enclosed sample. It resisted penetration even by the sharp eye-teeth, but provided at the same time an agreeable flavour, not dissimilar to that of the meal upon which I had been previously engaged.

Wednesday, 10 a.m. I beat the specimen repeatedly with a hammer HLR was unaffected, but unfortunately proved to have insufficient shock-absorbing qualities to protect the glass top of the dressing-table. admit, however, that this was an unfair test, as glass will hardly ever be laid under felt.

Wednesday: 10.45 a.m. to 11.5 a.m.: I placed HLR on the floor of the bedroom and walked backwards and forwards across it in (a) bare feet, (b) rubber boots, (c) spiked golf shoes. I had to lie down at 11.5 a.m., overcome by vertigo. No harm seemed to have come to HLR.

Wednesday: 11.15 a.m. I placed HLR on the floor of the sitting-room and drove the perambulator up and down it, first empty, and then filled with the *Encyclopoedia Britannica*. The handle of the perambulator scraped quite a lot of paint off the wall, but at the end of an hour I could perceive no damage to your product.

Since then I have boiled it, slashed it with a razor, swung it round my head on a long piece of string, bashed it, smashed it, jumped on it, and stuffed it up the spout of the bathroom tap, which has always showed a tendency to drip. HLR is still there, and cannot apparently be extricated.

On the whole, I should say that you have here a really worthwhile product, but suggest that you are wasting it upon domestic uses. Have you not considered the manufacture of treads for heavy tractors?

Yours faithfully,
P. CAMPBELL.

P.C.: Undr mtges reply hrnar.

What the Chinese Press is saying

China's Currency

WAH KIU YAT PO: Introduction of the Silver Dollar is an important financial measure adopted by Marshal Yen Hsi-shan's cabinet. However, public confidence in the new currency will depend on the backing of the Silver Dollar.

Since the outbreak of the Pacific War, China has not been able to balance her budget. Expenditure has always considerably exceeded revenue. Each succeeding Finance Minister has had to resort to note-printing to help solve the financial difficulties of the Government.

Marshal Yen stated when he became Premier that every effort would be exerted to balance the nation's budget, and every effort would be made to avoid uncontrolled note-printing.

He also promised to see that the revenue channels are expanded through new sources of income and to find means to reduce military expenditure.

In our opinion, to reduce the adverse gap between income and expenditure, the Chinese Government should do its utmost to balance its budget. However, it is doubtful whether the Government would be able to open up new sources of revenue.

Requisition of property of the rich and the Four Big Families is also full of difficulties. In these circumstances, the only alternative is to maintain the present sources of revenue while reducing expenditures.

This can be done by retrenching surplus troops and surplus government employees.

If the Chinese nation can follow the example set by the British people in Britain, they can bring both security and prosperity back to China.

HWA SHIANG PAO: The blockade of Chinese ports by the Kuomintang Government is an idea of American Imperialism. Admiral Badger's warning to American ships not to call at Shanghai and his subsequent statement in Manila to the effect that the Kuomintang Government has the right to declare a blockade definitely support this view.

The piratical move of the Kuomintang has aroused the ire of both American and British merchants. To appease these merchants and to induce Britain to adopt similar steps in dealing with New China, the American State Department made a gesture the other day by refusing to recognise the blockade.

However, America let the cat out of the bag by reiterating her friendship with the Kuomintang Government and by stating that as long as the blockade is effective it is legitimate.

Such attitude on the part of American Imperialism undoubtedly provided a stimulant for the Kuomintang Government which at once issued orders to bomb ships on sight and to confiscate cargoes destined for liberated ports.

Without the support of America, the Kuomintang Government would not dare to make enemies of foreign merchants and ships in this way. We must not only annihilate Chiang's party but bring those who support it to account.

War Of Resistance

KUNG SHEUNG YAT PO: The Chinese people recently commemorated the 12th anniversary of their War of Resistance against the Japanese. The 12 years have been full of misery and sorrow for the Chinese people. Today the nation is still torn by civil strife and the people are still living in sorrow and pain.

July 7, 1937 was a turning point in the history of the world. It was the beginning of a global drama in which the Chinese nation assumed the leading role. The drama continues today with only the Chinese nation remaining on the stage.

The War of Resistance was great and noble. The Chinese people were united in a common aim. But no sooner had the Japanese surrendered than disunity occurred again as a result of the resumption of civil war.

Other nations progressed following the end of the war, but the Chinese nation disintegrated. Even defeated nations are today better off.

We should work for the welfare of the people and irrespective of our political affiliations we should unite in the common task of reconstruction.

In our commemoration of the War of Resistance let us resolve to unite once again heart and soul for the welfare of our people and the reconstruction of our nation.

Britain's Economy

TA KUNG PAO: To devise ways and means of dealing with the economic crisis which has been in existence since the conclusion of the war, Britain has summoned the Finance Ministers of the Dominions for a conference.

It is held by most people that the possibility of a depreciation of the sterling pound is associated with this crisis.

As a matter of fact, the national policy of the Labour Government and the wide margin existing between the soaring prices of commodities and the frozen wages may be said to be partial causes for the crisis. A further hidden factor is the legacy which Mr. Attlee inherited from Mr. Churchill—dependence of Britain on America.

The British economic crisis which first started with post-war American loans was aggravated by the Marshall Plan and finally broke out as a result of the union of the three sectors in Western Germany and the conclusion of the West Atlantic Pact.

Britain cannot use funds supplied under the Marshall Plan to purchase goods elsewhere which Washington says America can supply. Thus recently the attempt of Canada to sell Britain $300,000,000 worth of barley and $15,000,000 worth of cheese was stopped. Even her trade agreement with the Argentine has been the object of American opposition.

Today Britain is many times weaker than she was in 1938, but the conclusion of these multilateral pacts has forced her to spend 12 times the sum she spent in that year on her army abroad. What are the objects? Only to give support to America on her headlong course and to maintain her leadership in the Western Alliance?

What is the motive of Sir Stafford Cripps for calling the conference?

Since priority for Empire-made products was ruled out by America, the sterling pound has been the weakest link in the relations between Britain and her overseas possessions. When this tie is gone, there will be nothing to bind the British Commonwealth together. Depreciation may help to push the sale of British goods in the world market, but it will affect both the living and the savings of the British people.

America herself is being threatened with unemployment, reduced production and slump of shares. From this we learn the following lessons: capitalism is doomed, no solution can be found in preserving the substance of capitalism by putting a coating of socialism over it. The fact that a nation with the resources of Britain should find herself in difficulty is food for thought for Western European nations as well as for the whole world.

For the sake of mankind, we sincerely hope that the full effect of it will be felt before the outbreak of an atomic war, as nations now in the American camp will then ask themselves: is it advisable to sacrifice millions of lives just to maintain a system which is doomed to fail and which is out of date?

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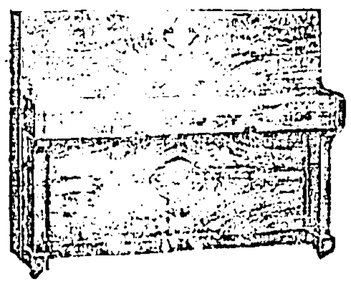

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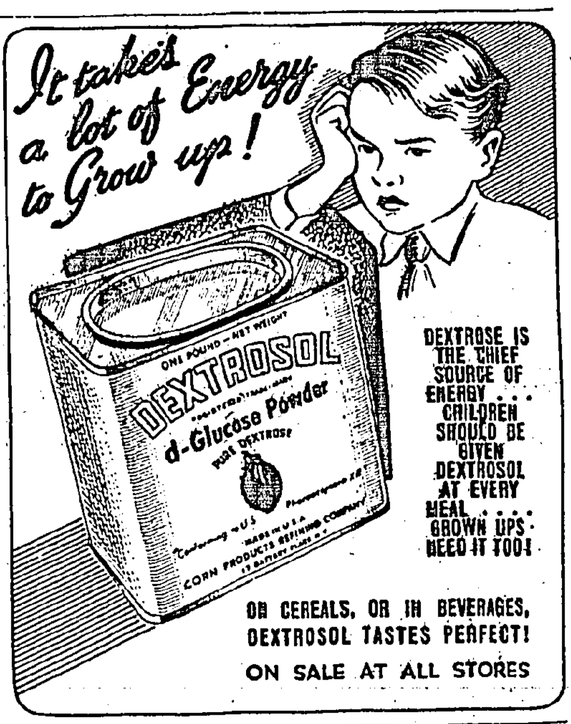

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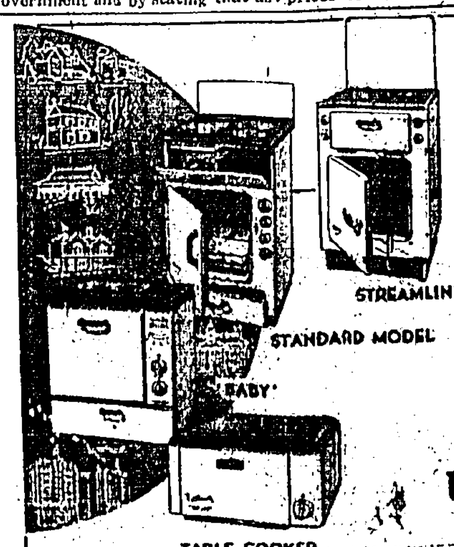

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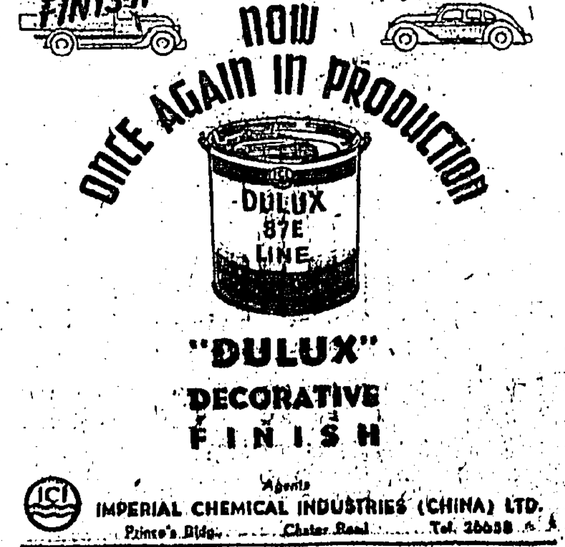

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DIVORCE LAW CHANGE

Commons Passes Private Bill

London, July 8:

Women living in Britain whose husbands desert them and go abroad will in future be able to apply for divorce in this country.

That is if a private Member's Bill, which was passed by the House of Commons today with Government backing, is approved by the House of Lords.

This is one of a number of minor changes in the divorce law advocated in the Bill, which the House of Lords is expected to approve.

Sir Thomas Moore, Conservative, told the story of a Scots-woman married to a Newfoundland soldier 30 years ago. The husband deserted her, went back to Newfoundland, married and had six children. She had to live with her parents here.

A childhood friend wanted to marry her but she could not get a divorce because she could not make an application for divorce in this country. She could not go to Newfoundland because there was no divorce law there, so she had been condemned for 30 years to live alone.

"I have brought her case to every law officer of the Crown in the last 25 years and the implied advice was that the only relief she could have was to live in sin," Sir Thomas Moore added.

Mr. John Wheatley, the Lord Advocate, intervened to say that he certainly did not give that advice.

Three Years' Residence

Mr. Reginald Manningham-Buller, Conservative, who steered the Bill through the House of Commons, said that to take advantage of the new proposal the women must have lived in Britain for three years. Alien women could also start proceedings.

In future, under the Bill, a wife whose husband refuses to support her will have the right to apply to the High Court for maintenance. At the moment she can only go to the police court, where the maximum she can receive is £2 a week for herself and 10 shillings a week for each child.

She has to wait three years before she can get maintenance at the full scale allowed by the Divorce Court. Under the Bill, she would no longer have to wait.—Reuter.

Seretse Marriage Sequel

Johannesburg, July 8.

The Dutch reformed Church Congress here today called on the Government of South Africa to ask Britain to withhold recognition of Seretse Whanna as the paramount chief of the Bamangwato tribe in Bechuanaland.

A Congress resolution said that Seretse's marriage to Ruth Williams, 24-year-old former London typist, might have serious repercussions on race relation in South Africa.

The resolution was moved as an addition to a motion expressing disapproval of the doctrine of equality and assanilation between white and non-white people. This doctrine, the resolution said, was calculated to destroy race purity and promote the downfall of Christian civilisation in South Africa.

Tshekedi Khama, Regent of the Bamangwato tribe since 1926, yesterday told Sir Evelyn Baring, British High Commissioner in South Africa, that he and more than 40 other headmen intend to go into voluntary exile as a result of Seretse's marriage.

Their opposition to Seretse becoming chief because he had married a white woman was overruled last month at a meeting of 6,000 members of the tribe.—Reuter.

MANILA SCHOOL SHORTAGE

Manila, July 8.

A solution of Manila's school crisis is expected next week as the City Government authorities redoubled their efforts for more funds for additional classrooms.

So far, some 11,500 pupils are definitely known to have been denied admission in the city's public schools.—Reuter.

TB CAMPAIGN

Geneva, July 8.

The World Health Organisation tonight voted $150,000 to help the International "B.C.G." anti-tuberculosis campaign under which about 9,000,000 European children have been tested.

The campaign is run from Copenhagen by the Scandinavian Red Cross, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund and the World Health Organisation.—Reuter.

Strasser To End Exile

Munich, July 8.

Dr. Otto Strasser, former Nazi leader who opposed Hitler, intends to return to Germany from his Canadian exile in September, according to his representative, Herr Waderon Walsasch.

Dr. Strasser, self-styled "German de Gaulle," is the leader of the "League for German Revival." He has been repeatedly denied an entry permit for Western Germany by the occupation authorities.

According to his representative, Dr. Strasser will no longer be denied permission to return if a German Government is established.—Reuter.

AUSTRIAN TREATY SQUABBLE

London, July 8.

The British and American deputies on the Austrian peace treaty today accused the Russians of refusing to trust the Austrian Government.

The exchange occurred during discussions by the deputies of the Russian proposal on the method of Austrian payment of a sum of $150,000,000 for Russian claims. Britain and America want the sum paid by annual instalments. Russia has insisted upon quarterly payments with the Austrian National Bank issuing promissory notes to the Soviet State Bank on the sum owed.

France surprised the deputies by siding with Russia—the first time the three Westerners have not stuck together, even on details, for months.

The U.S. representative, Mr. Samuel Reber, and the British representative, Mr. I.O.S. Mallet, said promissory notes were not necessary. Mr. Mallet, who was chairman, promised finally to present a compromise proposal before Monday.

Mr. Reber and Mr. Mallet said the treaty fully guarantees that Austria would pay $150,000,000. Russia's demand, they said, implies that the Soviet Government feels unable to trust the word of the Austrian Government.

Mr. Mallet stated specifically that the Soviet Government apparently has no confidence in the three Western powers but only in the President of the Austrian National Bank, who would sign the proposed promissory notes. In reality, Mr. Mallet continued, these notes would not constitute an additional guarantee to Russia since the Austrian national bank is only an agency of the government.

The Soviet representative, Mr. Georgi Zarubin, charged the Anglo-American with prejudging Austria's failure to pay by rejecting the Russian demand for promissory notes—United Press.

STATE OF EMERGENCY

Communist Intrigues Causing Unrest

CHALLENGE TO STATE

London July 8.

The British Government's decision to declare a state of emergency on Monday comes after almost three months of industrial crisis in British ports and only a year after its last such proclamation.

Then, on June 28, 1948, it was a strike of dockers, centred on London and Liverpool, that led to the proclamation.

It coincided with a broadcast appeal to the dockers by the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and was followed almost immediately by a return to work.

Only four times before has an emergency been declared under the Emergency Powers Act of 1920—in 1921, in 1924, during the great 1926 General Strike, and last year.

The Act provides that the King may issue a proclamation if at any time it appears that any action taken or threatened is of such a nature as to be calculated 'by interfering with the supply and distribution of food, water, fuel, or light or with the means of locomotion to deprive the community or any substantial portion of the community, of the essentials of life."

Once the proclamation is made, regulations can be made by the Privy Council, to take immediate effect, giving the authorities wide powers to secure the essentials of life of the community. Such regulations must be laid before Parliament and expire seven days later unless approved by a resolution of both Houses.

In telling the House of Commons that the King is to be asked to issue the emergency proclamation if the London dock stoppage is not settled, Mr. Chuter Ede, the Home Secretary, said that the "only reason why we have to deal with trouble in this country is that Communists see in it a chance of fomenting unrest, injuring our trade and hampering our recovery and with it the whole process of Marshall Aid on which the recovery of Western Europe depends."

Challenge To State Authority

Mr. Ede said: "The issue with which we are faced is not one of a legitimate industrial dispute but a challenge to the whole authority of the State and it must be met.

"In its present economic situation the country cannot afford delays in the turn-round of ships and the hold up of exports.

"The Government has decided that unless the Port is fully working without discrimination between ships by Monday morning they will advise His Majesty to issue a proclamation under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, declaring that a state of emergency exists."

Mr. Harold MacMillan, for the Opposition, said that the Home Secretary had made a very grave statement which in the crippling circumstances which surround the country reveals a very serious situation.

Mr. Leslie Solley, who was recently expelled from the Labour Party, said it was a scandalous thing for a Labour Government to invoke the Tory strike regulation of 1920 in this case.

In his reply Mr. Ede said that the dispute concerned is an unofficial one organised not for industrial but political purposes.

No Intimidation

Mr. Ede added that throughout the dispute the police had had instructions to watch for any sign of physical or other intimidation but there has been none.

Amid cheers, a Labour Member, Mr. John McGovern, asked when the Government, allowing for the development of political liberty, is going to deal with the Communist Party and recognise that it is in the service of a foreign Power and doing everything it can to wreck Britain's economy.

The number of workers involved in the dock strike rose to 10,000 today when the Government sent over 1,000 troops and sailors to unload food cargoes.

An official statement said that 10,213 men are out—an increase of 400 over yesterday—and that 105 ships are idle.

The strike began last week when dockers refused to unload two Canadian ships involved in the Canadian Seamen's Union strike.

More Men Out

The dock employers claimed that it was a breach of contract and refused to call labour for other ships. The men maintained this was a lock-out by the employers.

Troops were first moved in yesterday when 300 men started unloading meat. Several ships were handled today, mostly by crack troops from the Guards regiments.

An unofficial meeting of 400 members of the Watermen, Lightermen, Tugmen and Bargemen's Union tonight decided to strike in support of the other dock workers.

The men will stop work tomorrow evening at the end of the working day.

The lightermen believe that when they leave their important positions the work of the docks will come almost to a standstill.—Reuter.

ISAACS' MOVE IN RAILWAY DISPUTE

London, July 8.

A five-man Conciliation Board is to be appointed by Mr. George Isaacs, Minister of Labour, in the hope of ending the dispute between Britain's Railway Executive and the National Union of Railwaymen.

The Union is claiming a 10 shillings a week pay increase and additional pay for Saturday afternoon work.

This is believed to be the first time in a British industrial dispute that the Minister of Labour has invited the disputing parties to co-operate with a board of conciliation.

The decision to set up the Board followed a meeting last Tuesday, when three rail unions, with the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions and the Railway Executive, were invited by the Ministry to exploratory talks.

The Board will have the help of an assessor from the Railway Executive, and one from each of the three rail unions and from the Confederation of Engineering and Shipbuilding Unions, representing railway shopmen.—Reuter.

The Hague, July 8.

The Netherlands Government will make a statement on the Indonesian situation next Wednesday at a secret session of Parliament, it was announced today.—Reuter.

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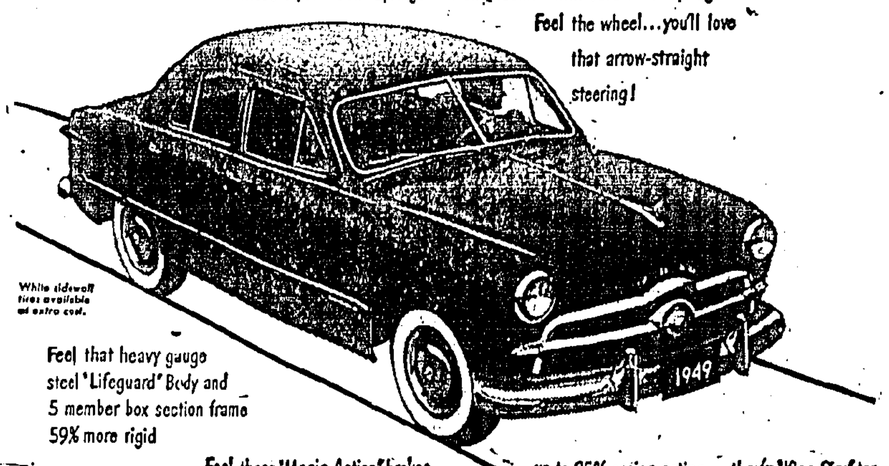

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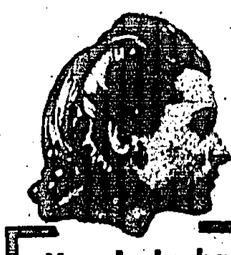

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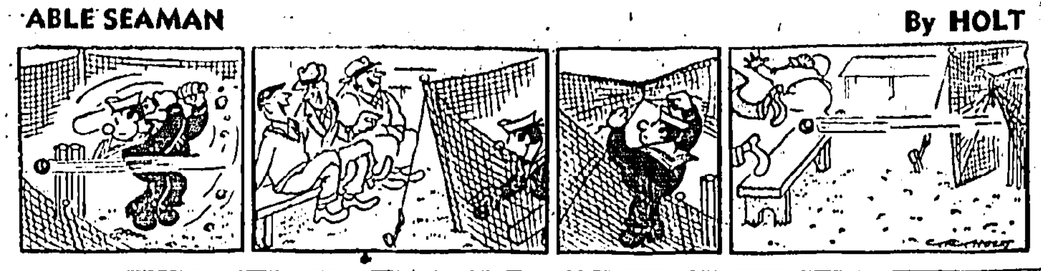

Your life and Mine

by IRIS ASHLEY

At first glance it is hard to think of any two subjects seemingly farther apart than fashion and politics. Yet, oddly enough, the women of Britain are showing an immediate and practical interest in both these subjects as never before.

Last week at an "Autumn Collection" dress show, given for Press and buyers, I sat next to Mrs. McNab. Now Mrs. McNab is one of Harrods' chief and most enterprising buyers. She has reason to know about women's fashion reactions.

She told me that whereas before the war it took nearly 18 months for a really new point of fashion to catch on, it now takes only six. As soon as the new designs of line and colour are made clear (through magazines and newspapers) women begin asking for them in the shops. The salesgirls used to explain the new fashions, now the customers know for themselves.

I think the reason for the change is unexpected. Simply that women are conscious of complete emancipation.

In order to hold down a serious job, women no longer feel obliged to conform to male standards. During the war astonished male was forced to admit that thousands of women were smart, pretty—and, so help us, efficient, too!

Also the professional or career woman has found she inspires more confidence in her own sex if she makes the best of herself as a woman. Here, we say, is a woman who obviously reacts to life much as we do ourselves.

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Often a woman with a big job is married and has children; therefore her problems are the same as ours. Fortunately for us, this type of woman having brains quite often has the urge to use them on our behalf.

Realising at last that politics are touching more and more upon our daily lives, we want a say in political affairs. And who can speak for us with knowledge and understanding of our viewpoint except another woman?

So we have more and more of the normal feminine type of woman developing a political conscience; and more and more women taking an active part in political life.

All this has rather more meaning when you take into account the fact that at least half the electoral voters of the whole country are women.

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At the recent Blackpool conference of the Labour Party, Mr. Herbert Morrison remarked that "The Tories are making a dead set at the women in the home," and he said that the woman in the home was going to be one of the big factors in determining who would win the general election.

Mr. Morrison also appealed to delegates to bring individual membership of their party up to one million. The Conservative Party total membership is 2¼ million, of which half are women.

In the local government elections this spring 1,144 Conservative women were nominated, of whom 671 were elected. Some of these women had been councillors before, but a number of them are housewives—whose children have grown up enough to set them partially free—or young office workers.

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Choosing somewhat at random we called on blonde, brown-eyed Mrs. Marjorie Cave, newly elected town councillor of Sale, Cheshire, a woman in her early forties, with a 19-year-old son living at home and a husband who deals in motor accessories.

Mrs. Cave is learning to combine politics, housewifery, and henkeeping! In her own words: "Life is by no means tedious these days."

Just for the record let's look at her diary for last Monday—her washday normally.

6.45 a.m.: Got up and cooked breakfast for three (and Vicky the Alsatian dog). 8.30: Washed up, cleaned round the house (7 rooms). 9.30: Cycled to catch train to Manchester. 10: Changed stations to catch 10.10 train for Crewe, where she attended meeting of County Children's Committee, 12.45 p.m.: Left Crewe (without lunch), arriving home 3 p.m. Went shopping, then home to cook dinner for husband and son. 6: Attended Parks and Cemeteries meeting in Sale Town Hall, followed by House Committee meeting. Arrived home 10 p.m.

The washing? "I fitted that in on Tuesday," she said.

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Miss Margaret Roberts is in the field of national politics' having been chosen over the heads of 26 male competitors to be Conservative prospective candidate for Dartford, with an electorate of 85,000.

She is the daughter of Alfred Roberts who owns a grocery-cum-post-office store at Grantham. Himself a man of intellect and wide reading, his generation had not the advantage of possible scholarships such as his daughter Margaret plucked as apples from the tree.

From elementary school to grammar school, then a bursary to Somerville, Oxford. Her degree, B.Sc. in Natural Science, was stepping-stone to the research department of J. Lyons and Co. at Cadby Hall. And now politics as well.

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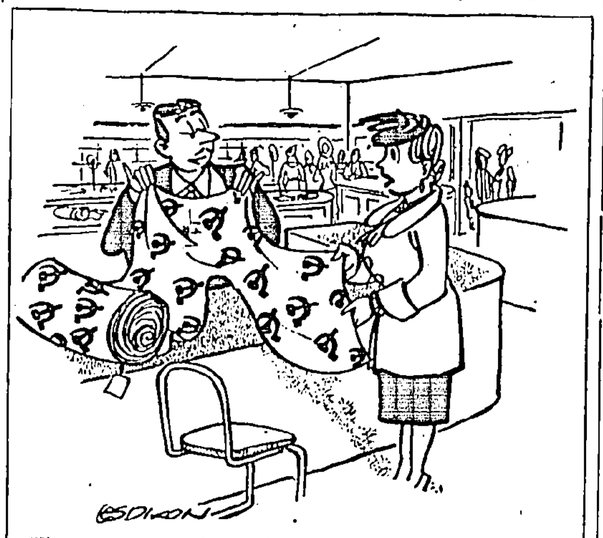
Women rally to hear her speak, but she couldn't get to the men at first. Women aren't allowed in the only men's club at Dartford. So Miss Roberts signed on as barmaid (the only woman who can get in) in order to meet up with her constituents, and serves out mild and bitter on appointed evenings. She does the same thing over at Erith, another part of her constituency.

She is easy to look at, soft-voiced, feminine, charming, and clear-headed. She is also 23, and very fashion-conscious.

All in all, there is no doubt that women have wakened up politically. And I think the operative word is "women" because these politicians are such real people.



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Behind The Political Scene

By ALASTAIR FORBES

Attlee's Public Speakers

"Public Speaking a Necessity" reads an advertisement which regularly appears in the personal column of Britain's most expensive morning newspaper. Though effective as an eye-catcher, it seems questionable as a slogan.

How often must Mr. Attlee, surveying on a Monday the weekend crop of Socialist speechifying, frown upon it as a dispensable luxury? And there can scarcely be a day on which he is not forced to rebuke some Minister for the unwisdom or extravagance of his arguments in Parliament or on public platforms.

No Wonder

It is certainly no wonder that the Labour Government is now beginning to frown on the spate of summer conferences organised by the trade unions and which use up so much of the wind and time of harassed Labour leaders.

The latest of these wasteful "Wakes Weeks" has been that of the Amalgamated Engineering Union at Scarborough, but this turned out to be the occasion of a most agreeable and admirable surprise.

Perhaps for those delegates who had hoped to pass their seaside interlude with heads buried unbudgeably deep in the sands it was scarcely so agreeable. For here was the president of a union, known principally for its strongly Communist leanings, talking in language grimmer and more robust even than that of Sir Stafford Cripps and showing that he viewed his responsibilities too seriously to be concerned merely with the narrow sectional approach which most union leaders are depressingly content to adopt.

A Warning

Mr. Tanner openly warned that his message would be found unpalatable, but he is clearly aware that this results from the reactionary inability of the unions to see where their own best interests lie.

There has grown up a belief that the unions are in some way divinely protected from the consequences of their actions upon the national economy.

It will take more than the courageous though belated intervention of men like Mr. Tanner to cure them of this dangerous illusion. Nevertheless, if the union members cannot learn the lesson from the mouths of their leaders, they will have to learn it from their own, when these go hungry.

Mr. Tanner rightly placed his emphasis on the necessity of an increase, at reduced costs, of marketable production.

Recent adverse developments in many markets have called attention to the fault of many manufacturers in thinking that they could dictate to foreign consumers and ignore the essential task of market research, a fault for which a heavy price is now being paid.

Shoddy Goods

This mistake was not, however, one which the trade unions have done anything to attempt to correct, any more than they have sought to prevent the production of goods so shoddy that they have undermined confidence abroad in traditional British craftsmanship.

Mr. Tanner's additional remarks about the need for unions to co-operate fully in increasing production as a prelude to demanding a larger share of profits or earnings, on the American pattern, further increased one's hope that he will now go about biting some of his fellow trade union leaders.

Sir Stafford Cripps himself has been away in Brussels, where he has been having, on an official spokesman's admission, a "rough time."

The rigidity of his Socialist planning, with its hampering effects upon intra-European trade, has come under withering fire from both Mr. Harriman and M. Spaak. There is much to be said on both sides of this increasingly bitter dispute, which will scarcely be resolved by a compromise of the sort proposed by France.

But it would be cowardly to sit on the fence. Both the Belgian and French plans would at the present time increase to a greater or lesser degree the drain on our dollar and gold reserves which Sir Stafford is already dissipating at an alarming rate, portentous of disaster.

Less Confidence

There is the further consideration, discussed in the Commons recently, that Socialist expenditure and high taxation are diminishing confidence in sterling abroad.

Sir Stafford can perhaps justifiably complain of Belgium's campaign to get the pound devalued, a campaign which, by reducing our dollar-earning capacity, must strengthen determination to prevent further sterling convertibility at the present time.

Nevertheless, having accepted Marshall Aid, we must go on to accept all its implications, and do everything in our power to assist European trade.

Yet if it is fair for the U.S. to demand this of us, it is also essential that Washington be prepared to help us out of the fresh mess into which acceptance of such demands would quickly throw us. Perhaps our best hope lies in the growing realisation in Washington that the only solution will prove to be an American guarantee of sterling convertibility, in lieu of the present system of aid.

Dollar Prop

In the Commons, which listlessly reassembled recently, the tourist industry, soon to become the main prop of our dollar exports, was subjected to somewhat inexpert scrutiny. There is little doubt that the Catering Wages Act has made it impossible for this industry to meet the demands now being made upon it.

All export industries must rely on the demands of the home market for a consistent stimulus. Unfortunately the consumer of catering and hotel services is in this country, an uncritical and apparently tasteless animal. The customer is always right—so long as he uncomplainingly accepts the slovenly and shabby treatment meted out to him at the hands of the hotel and restaurant-keepers.

It is all very well for M.P.s to urge that we should become more "Swiss-minded" in these matters, but there will be no improvement until Britons once again take pleasure in rendering polite and considerate service to travellers and rid themselves of the abominable heresy, also born only of the last quarter century, that it is a mortal sin to make food palatable or to take pleasure in its consumption.

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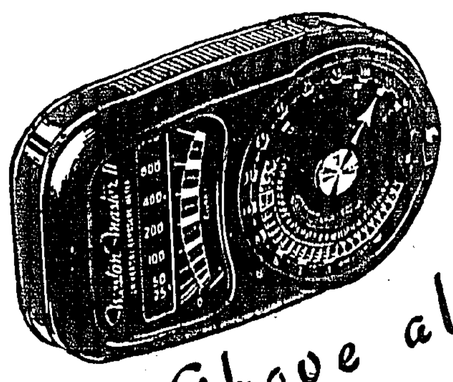

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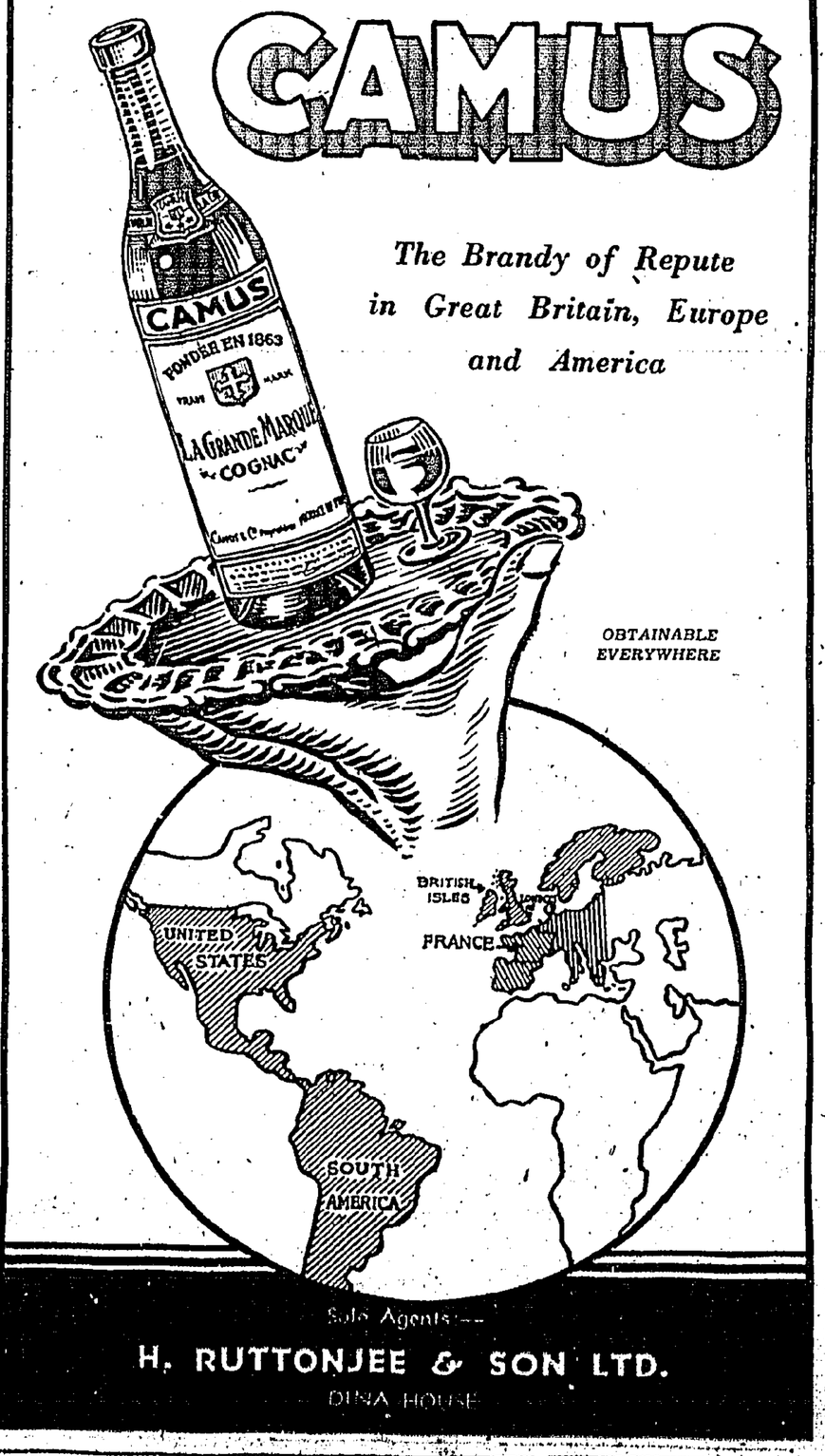

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RUSSIA BREAKS INTO EUROPEAN FISHING

Russia is making a big bid to become one of the greatest fishing nations in European waters as well as the Pacific waters bordering her east coast, where she was more or less permanently engaged in controversies about territorial waters and fishing rights with the Japanese before the war.

The latest evidence of the Soviet fishing policy is the allocation of a £1,000,000 contract for building 45 trawlers in Sweden. Twenty-five are to be built at a cost of £20,000 each. Deliveries will begin in the autumn.

This substantial business has been accepted by the Swedes only after more than two years' haggling about price, specifications and delivery dates because Sweden—the biggest ship-builder in Europe after Great Britain—is full up with contracts and is turning most repair work away.

The Russian contract can be fulfilled only by rejecting more repairs, and by parcelling the work out in small units amongst the minor wharves.

In A Big Way

For the big shipyards such as Gota, Eriksberg, and Lundholmen in Gothenburg and Kokums in Malmo are working to capacity.

For those reasons Sweden has refused Soviet bids for the last two years, but the few trawlers she constructed for the USSR after the war have presumably given satisfaction and encouraged this record repeat order.

This is only an additional indication that Russia is going to enter the European fishing industry in a big way.

Ever since the Russo-Finnish armistice of October, 1944, the Finnish ship yards have also been busy, indeed forced to expand, turning out trawlers for the USSR as reparations.

Many parts have had to be purchased abroad, at heavy cost to Finland's strained post-war economy, and the Russian experts have been sticklers at insisting upon agreed specifications, even though the Finns have suggested improvements and economies.

By now Finland must have turned out several hundred trawlers for the Russians.

Third Sign

A third sign of Soviet fishing expansion was the passage of an "armada" of Russian trawlers through the Sound between Sweden and Denmark last summer on the way to Iceland, where they entered into competition with the Scandinavian and British fishermen for the first time either before or after the war.

Another indication of Russia's intention to try to become a "sea animal" as well as a "land animal" was her announcement that she is entering the Antarctic whaling industry.

Apart from the obvious economic gain to be derived from the European fisheries the Russians are believed to be after other objectives.

By RALPH HEWINS

The mediocrity of Russian seamanship was only too glaringly displayed during the two world wars, when they never gained control of the Baltic outside the Gulf of Finland or contributed substantially to the defence of the approaches to the Murmansk convoy route.

Indeed, the failures of Russian seamanship go even farther, to Port Arthur and the destruction of the Tsarist Navy, and beyond.

Being realists, the present Soviet leaders know that battle-fleets are manned by fishermen and sailors from "little ships" and that before the USSR can compete with Britain and the USA on the surface she must inculcate the art of seamanship.

Minesweepers?

Until the trawlers ordered in Sweden are laid down it is too early to affirm whether they will be adaptable to minesweeping, but, if procedent is any guide, this will be the case: and it is fair to assume that the fishermen will be trained in minesweeping as well as trawling.

The seafaring trade unions are in many countries hotbeds of Communism, and all the signs of Soviet fishing diplomacy point to a Russian intention to exploit fishing as a means of spreading sedition in foreign harbours, propagating the Red gospel and spying.

The behaviour of Soviet agents at secondary Swedish boat-building centres, particularly those with strategic significance, such as the Gothenburg Archipelago, has already excited the attention and active intervention of the Swedish authorities.

Experience during the last 30 months shows that the Russians are entering upon their fishing campaign with determination, sometimes amounting to ruthlessness.

Turned Back

For instance, last summer they arbitrarily extended their territorial waters along the former Finnish coast of Petsamo, the White Sea and Novaya Zemlya to twelve miles instead of the statutory three or four.

British fishermen from Aberdeen, Hull and Grimsby were turned back from the exceptionally rich fishing grounds in those areas by Soviet gunboats. Moreover, the Russians made no effort to sweep mines away thereabouts.

British casualities were suffered among the unswept mines. Norwegian and other Scandinavian fishermen were also involved.

Conditions produced by the Soviet fishing drive in the Baltic have been even more grave.

Five Swedish and three Danish fishing boats have been lost in mysterious circumstances off the satellite Polish coast during the last 30 months, and 16 Danish boats have been held for anything up to three weeks by Soviet motor-torpedo-boats, cutters and submarines which have "escorted" them to Polish ports.

Protests Ignored

Moreover, there is persistent persecution and molestation of Swedish sailors in Polish ports. The usual Soviet pretext is that the Swedes and Danes have been infringing territorial waters, which the the Russians and Poles arbitrarily declare extend twelve miles instead of the time-honoured three or four. Two to six months old Swedish and Danish protests in Moscow about this subject remain ignored.

In these unpleasant circumstances it is somewhat surprising that Swedish business acumen has triumphed over Swedish indignation and that the £1,000,000 contract has been signed.

It is even more surprising when one considers how exhausted some of the North Sea and Arctic Ocean fishing grounds have become. There is no longer room for everybody — as Norwegian coastguard fire on an allegedly intruding British trawler recently indicated.

The fishes' feeding habits are said to be changing — perhaps because of the small but steadily sustained warming up of the Arctic climate—shoals are being found increasingly on the verge of Russian-dominated waters in the Arctic, and fishing gear and technique are taking their toll.

Consequently, a big Russian invasion of North European fishing grounds may ultimately have international economic as well as political repercussions.

"FLANK ATTACK!"

MATADOR MAKES GOOD

Recently I was invited to a Spanish home which resembled a Museum of Tauromachy. After a servant had peeped through the little grating—seen on all Spanish front doors—to see whether I was a friend or foe, I was courteously ushered in.

Three large bulls' heads with imposing long sharp horns looked menacingly down at me from the walls of the semi-darkened entrance hall. Inscriptions below them indicated the arenas in which they had been killed and the date.

As I walked along several corridors, more bulls' heads, paintings of the arena done by well known artists, and all kinds of souvenirs and trophies of past bullfights adorned the walls. The servant showed me into a comfortably-furnished study, where more bulls' heads and several large paintings showing matadors and bulls in action, were the outstanding features.

A dignified elderly man entered and warmly welcomed me with traditional Spanish hospitality. He was Senor Sanchez Mejias Bienvenida, a bullfighter in his day, and father of six sons all of whom followed in father's footsteps to become bullfighters. There are small grandsons, whom it is expected will carry on the family traditions. Senor Mejias Bienvenida's father was also a bullfighter.

I was in the home of one of Spain's best-known bull-fighting families, which a Spanish writer described as the "Dynasty of the Bienvenidas."

Speaking with a soft attractive accent of the Estremadura—a region which has produce many good bullfighters, as well as famous "Conquistadores"—old Senor Mejias Bienvenida recounted many episodes of his youth. He told me how his father, then himself and later his six sons had naturally taken to the ring and how several of them had trained with young bulls or cows before they were 10 years old: It seems to be in the blood, families breeding matadors as are bulls for the arena:

While we were chatting on nothing else but bulls, with bulls looking down on us from the walls, the youngest son, Juanito (little John), aged 20, came in proudly to show his new gold-brocaded costume which he will now wear as a fully-fledged matador.

Star Of Family

The present outstanding star of the family is Antonio Mejias Bienvenida, aged 26. He participated in two big bull-fights at the Seville Fair recently. In the weeks he is prominently

By WILLIAM STUTTARD

billed for two important bullfights in Madrid held to honour the fiestas of San Isidro, Madrid's patron saint.

"How do your sons train for bullfighting?" I asked this father of many bullfighters. "Playing football, Basque pelota and other modern sports." These may be suitable for developing physical fitness, I suggested, but not for teaching or training one how to stick in banderillas, carry out all the various cape movements, and finally plunging in the sword for the kill.

He then took me out into his big garden, where there is a kind of miniature ring. Here the sons practise their cape work, banderillas, and the kill on an imitation bull which is moved around on wheels. There is even a part of a fence, the same height as in the arena, to practise the quick jumping over which may be necessary later when hurriedly-escaping from a furious fighting bull close on your heels in the ring!

The first training with live bulls is usually acquired with young bulls on the big bull-breeding ranches of Andalusia, Castile and Salamanca. Here budding bullfighters get in some useful training. The bullfighters must not only be physically fit, but have great courage and calmness to face wounding and possible death.

Death, in fact, by goring is only inches away every time a matador goes in to the kill. All bullfighters suffer bad woundings, if not death. The famous £500,000 a year Manolete was the last great matador to be gored to death.

A matador needs to be fighting fit. He must be as careful about his diet as a boxer in training and before a bull-fight, wine is taboo. One Spanish fighting bull, at a time is quite enough to see in the arena! Senor Mejias Bienvenida stressed that a bullfighter's life must be one of discipline and sacrifice to excel.

There are also "Schools of Tauromachy" at Seville, Cordoba, Madrid, Valladolid, etc., where aspiring bullfighters may study the technique but without live bulls.

Interesting Stories

Many interesting stories are told of Andalusian gypsies, who have later become leading matadors, who got their early training with live bulls, by trespassing on the big bull-breeding estates to fight young bulls where the guards could not spot them. Some have been enthusiastic enough even to trespass at night and use their tattered coats on young bulls to get in cape-work practice!

During the season in Spain—which lasts from about Easter until All Souls—the leading bullfighters have contracts in arenas all over the Peninsular. Antonio Mejias Bienvenida, the present 26-year-old star of the family will take part—Dios mediante (as Spaniards reverently say)—in probably about 50 bullfights this season.

And with two bulls to kill in each, this body will be very dangerously near the tips of the horns of some 100 bulls this year! A few good seasons, however, and young Antonio Mejias Bienvenida will join the peseta millionaire class.

Before leaving the home of the Bienvenidas I was shown the family's private chapel. Over the altar was a reproduction of the well-known Sevillian statue of "Jesus del Gran Poler" (Jesus of Great Power) which is carried through the narrow streets of the Andalusian capital during Holy Week.

Whenever any of the Bienvenidas are programmed to enter the arena, the mother enters the small chapel at the beginning of the bullfight and there fervently prays for God's protection.

She does not emerge from the tiny chapel, illuminated with candles, until the news is telephoned that the fight is over and her son is safe. Religion plays a big part in the lives of bullfighters and their families.

Money To Burn

By JOHN LEE

An old-age pensioner walked into the Bank of England and handed the clerk behind the counter a brown paper bag—it was full of ashes.

"This was my life savings," she said. "£400 completely destroyed by fire. Can you help me?"

The bank had heard the same story many times before. The money had been hidden in the chimney for safety. One day it was forgotten and the fire lit. £400 went up in smoke.

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"You'd be surprised what people do with their money," they told me. "We've had banknotes burnt, baked and even boiled!"

"During the war thousands of banknotes were destroyed in the air raids. So many, in fact, that we employed a special staff of 50 just to examine ashes.

One old lady thought the safest place where a burglar would never think to look was in the oven.

One morning her bank clerk was not the least surprised to be handed 45 well-baked crisp one-pound notes. She got her money back.

Sometimes people don't claim enough. Recently a man handed in the charred remains of "about £100." After examination the bank paid him £250.

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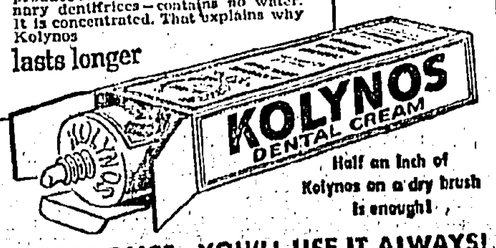

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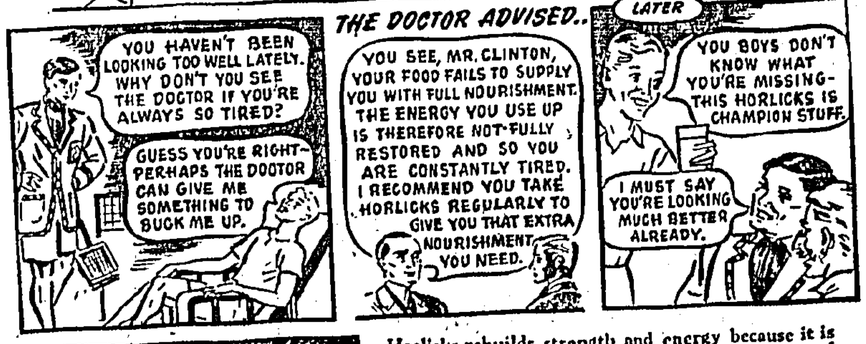

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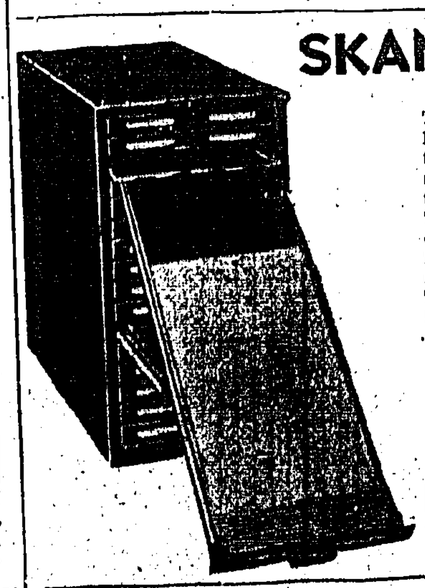

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FIRESIDE ECHOES:

FOOCHOW AND WESTERN MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE

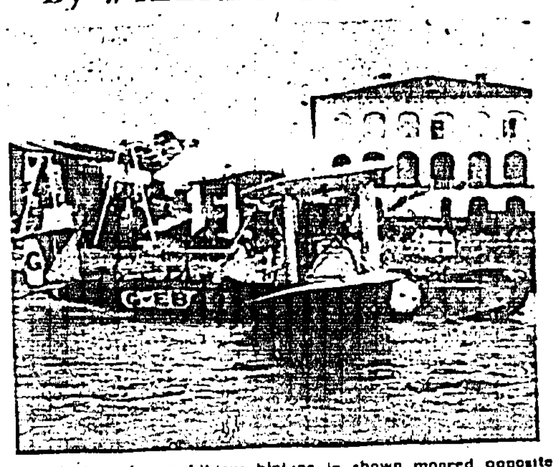
By WILLIAM M.S. BRAND

Western medicine and medical treatment was introduced to Foochow by the Rev. M. C. White, who arrived in the port during 1847 to found the Methodist Episcopal Church in the province of Fukien.

The more prevalent diseases among the population of those early days remain so to this day: tuberculosis, pneumonia; stomach and intestinal combined following venereal troubles; malaria; smallpox; elephantiasis and other chronic skin infections; syphilis, and leprosy. The more prevalent epidemic forms are; measles, smallpox, cholera and influenza. Bubonic and pneumonic plague are not indigenous to North Fukien. Generally the one form or the other has sporadically broken out whenever there has been a large incursion of troops from the two neighbouring provinces of Chekiang and Kiangsi.

A number of Dispensaries followed the Rev. White's example, as and when new groups of missionaries arrived, but the first Hospital in Foochow was founded by Dr. T. Rennie in 1866, known as The Foochow Hospital and Dispensary. Dr. Rennie maintained an independent practice among the foreign community for over 25 years and died in 1912 at Aberdeen, Scotland. Dr. Rennie was the first so-called Port Doctor and was succeeded in that capacity by Dr. J. Moorhead, who came to Foochow from Amoy.

The Foochow Hospital and Dispensary was erected with public funds, mainly received from British merchants as well as British firms, essentially as a native hospital to work solely for the benefit of native patients though paramountly for such of these in foreign employment, including the staff of the Customs and Postal Service which will explain the presence of the Commissioner of Customs on the original Committee of Management (five persons), later formed into a Board of Trustees. With the larger share of the required finance arising from foreign sources, rather than Chinese, and this from British subscribers, it can be understood why the institution was registered, together with the Land Title Deed, with the British Consulate. The interests of Chinese subscribers were not overlooked, having two representatives on the permanent Committee of Five, as follows H.B.M's Consul, ex-officio as Chairman; Dr. T. Rennie, as Port Doctor and Physician-Surgeon-in-charge; the Commissioner Customs; a Representative of the Provincial Government (who has always been Admiral Sir Sah Chen-ping), and a Representative of the Chinese business community (usually a compradore of one of the foreign firms; for many years Mr. Kon Ting of Dodwell & Co., Ltd., served). Dr. Rennie kept the Minutes.



MacLaren's amphibious biplane is shown moored opposite the Customs House at the Foochow Pagoda Anchorage, in 1922. The biplane made the first British Round-the-World flight in that year.

Rural Physician

Rennie was the delightful Victorian type of rural physician whose duty it was to call on each family on their appointed week-day, whether any member of that family was ill or not. He was an infallible believer in the condition of the tongue as the body's sign-post. After that examination out would come a thermometer with a pulse-reading. If he produced his stethescope and came back to the same spot thrice the betting was in favour of him saying, "Hm-mm, a wee bit liverish!", for which he prescribed his famous gelatine-capsule "Torpedoes" for elders (White Mixture"—to be well shaken before taking—for ladies), or brimstone and treacle for the children. A kinder hearted soul than he has seldom been met with. He went his rounds on a pony with an attendent mafoo. He was so popular with everybody that in a very short space of time the Hospital and Dispensary had to be enlarged. This was during the early seventies. During this period he started the Foochow Dairy to supply the foreign community and the Hospital with milk, cream, butter and cottage-cheese. He imported cows for the purpose. He personally supervised everything to do with the establishment, which was a model of cleanliness. Rennie was an extraordinarily active man and it remains a mystery how he managed to accomplish all that he did outside of his success with the Hospital.

Toward the close of the seventies it was decided to enlarge the Hospital and with this enlargement we find the introduction of a Board of Trustees in place of the original Committee of Management. At the same time the name of the Hospital was changed to The Foochow Native Hospital, still retaining its old Chinese name of Tak-ding (pronounced Tah-ding). The Trustees being: HBM's Consul ex-office (Chairman); the Port Doctor (Physician-Surgeon-in-Charge); the Agent of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (Treasurer); and two resident members of the foreign community, one of whom acted as Honorary Secretary. In 1886 a disastrous fire occurred on the Mantal river-front involving many foreign business houses and in this conflagration the Hospital records were lost. Incidentally the same fire destroyed a number of other original records, to which reference will be made later. The year 1916 saw the new wing of the Hospital completed and opened as the "Rennie Memorial", which had taken two years to build. This excellent improvement permitted the upstairs to be divided into foreign patients' private wards as well as offering comfortable residential quarters for the nurses of the C.E.Z. Mission, whose services were gratuitous and who, up to then, had to trudge every morning and evening weary miles between the Hospital and their homes; there being no wheeled vehicle in the port until the year 1920, and Missions did not supply their workers with free transport—and, so it would appear, neither did the Trustees, as a body, at any time consider such meagre expense justifiable on behalf of those ladies lent by the Mission!

Few Statistics

Before referring to other Hospitals in the locality started entirely by foreign enterprise and supervised by that grand and unassuming type of missionary, the medical missionary, it will be of interest to many were I to give in these echoes a few statistics, in very condensed form, of the work achieved by this pioneer medical institution in Foochow. The figures are taken from such Annual Reports as have survived national as well as worldwide upheavals and only cover the number of cases requiring operative medical treatment:

1881–90	6,195
1891–1900	7,850
1901–10	11,063
1911–19	11,790
1920–29	10,387

totalling 46,996 patients over a 49-year period; or 960 per annum; or 80 per month, or almost three operations per day. The number of deaths during this whole period averaged 15 per annum. During this some period the number of out-patients totalled 228,180 excluding the number of return visits of out-patients for advice, change of dressings, medicines, etc. These in 1889 numbered 11,274, and 40 years later, in 1929, we find three times that number. Right up to this year the Hospital was run on a charitable basis supported by annual donations and subscriptions. The small margin of profit on medicines, for instance, being just sufficient to cover the cost of containers and where it usually ended up the year with a profit on working account of between $300 to $1,000 it was usually indebted to the Bank for two or three times that amount through the replenishment of medical supplies from both Shanghai and England rather than to pay high local prices. Since 1930 the finances of the Hospital have been put on an entirely different and a money-making basis, with the result that substantial new buildings have been erected since and further envisaged quite beyond the founder's wildest dreams!

In pre-war days the Government-subsidised Japanese Hospital, with four or five Japanese physicians on its staff, was the largest in Foochow, maintaining a training school for women nurses and classes for men students who were expected to complete their training in either Japan or Formosa before entering private practice. It was through the Japanese Government heavily subsidising medical work that they gained in the province of Fukien a special sphere of influence. Through an amalgamation of their Magaw and Willis Pierce Memorial Hospital interests, under the combined name of The Union Hospital, the American Missions went so far as to take the lead in this field at the outbreak of war.

The second oldest institutions, both established as Dispensaries within a few months of each other, are the C.M.S. Hospital at the North Gate of Foochow City, known as Christ's Church Hospital, and St. Theresa's Hospital run by the Spanish Sisterhood at the South Gate. Both these institutions, however, sorely need enlarging and modernising in every way and, when that is accomplished, subsidising.

Christ's Church Hospital, formerly called Ca-Cang Hospital, will always be remembered for two names, that of Dr. Mackenzie and Dr. Lawson, who both contracted and expired of pneumonic plague within a few days of each other: the latter through nursing the former.

(To Be Continued Next Sunday)

S. African Freeze Will Hit Britain

By ALEX HAMMOND

South Africa's spending spree has ended. Today she faces austerity on a scale reminiscent of the days when Britain started her struggles.

For three years South Africans have lived without a care for the morrow and have enjoyed the luxury of going short of very little.

Out of war-torn Britain have come whisky, cars, crockery, textiles, toys, dainty foods (even sugar, sweets and biscuits) and a hundred and one other articles all of which go to meet our every-day wants, and all of which have not been seen in British shops for more than ten years.

From America have come streamlined chromium-plated cars, radios, electrical gadgets, comics and everything that the United States could pour into a wide-open market backed by dollars.

Now the day of reckoning has arrived. The first effects of import control of the South African way of living are beginning to be felt. By the end of this month, when the regulations will be enforced, greater austerity is foreshadowed.

Current reports from all parts of the Union indicate a downward curve in trade. Business houses are introducing economy measures, staffs are being reduced, bad debts are mounting, and everybody is beginning feel the pinch.

So sudden has been the change in the economic picture that when dollar purchases were limited earlier in the year the man-in-the-street was taken by surprise.

Now Dr. T. E. Donges, Acting Minister of Economic Affairs (Mr. Eric Louw is in America arguing South Africa's case on the Indian question before the United Nations), has announced further crippling regulations.

Home Products

South Africa has always depended to a large extent on imports of essential commodities. Since the war local industries have expanded but, despite the efforts of the Standards Bureau to raise the quality of home-produced articles, there has always been a feeling that imported goods are better.

Now the axe has fallen. No permits are to be issued in the immediate future for the importation of any finished consumer goods, unless they are specially needed for maintaining public health. Essential raw materials and capital goods will be admitted.

The latest regulations hit Britain as hard as they hit South Africa, for among the banned goods are textiles, glass and chinaware, blankets, rugs, children's wear, dress materials, ribbons prams, silverware, household linens, corsets, gloves, furs, hats and wool.

South Africa has long been a good customer of Britain in these goods.

Now it is to end.

The first reaction to the new announcement is that it will give an incentive to many branches of South African industry; it will precipitate early unemployment among those employed by wholesalers, agents and retailers, and a black market in unobtainable goods will have to be fought from the outset.

Grave Warnings

Needless to say, commercial and industrial men are perturbed. The latest meeting of the Durban Chamber of Commerce was marked by grave warnings on the plight of the country.

The retiring president, Mr. Henry Wesley, told South Africans they would have to take off their coats and work.

"Unless all of us put our shoulders to the wheel," he told me, "we cannot hope to compete in world markets. As little as possible for as much as possible cannot get us anywhere except to a lower plane in our standard of living."

The chairman of the retailers' section of the Chamber, Mr. L. Lane, said that the action of the Government and the Department of Commerce and Industries in plunging haphazardly into a new control without consulting organised commerce had caused chaos and confusion.

He said that unscrupulous traders had taken advantage of the Finance Minister's statement telling importers that sterling control was imminent without imposing any immediatae restrictions on sterling exchange.

Cultural Side

This had made worse the country's plight and hastened the breakdown of sterling and gold balances.

On the cultural side, too, South Africans are threatened with isolation.

There is every likelihood that all books, except educational and technical books, will also be banned. When it is borne in mind that South Africans as a whole are prolific readers, it will appreciated just how hard the country has been hit.

The man in the bus, the woman at the market—all are perturbed. The cost of living has been going up and up, unemployment is looming and the country a whole is in a disturbed and sorry economic plight.

South Africa austerity is not as bad as Britain's was, for we are starting with something in hand. Our shops are full and prices are controlled—but, how long will these goods last? That is the question worrying the nation. How, too, will Britain feel about losing her valuable market?

Makes you think, especially when you have had everything your own way for some time.

Traffic Culture In Britain

According to Prince Axel of Denmark, Britain has now the world's most highly developed and perfect traffic culture. During the past two years, writes James White, the Prince has driven cars all over the world. Everywhere he has met courteous drivers. Everywhere, however, he discovered that their manners on the road were either the result of visits to Britain or lessons from British-run motoring schools.

Back in Denmark, Prince Axel has told the Danish Royal Automobile Club that whereas in Denmark one has the utmost difficulty in making a driver leave the centre of the road—in Britain no horn-blowing is necessary and drivers "naturally give way" whenever another car wishes to pass.

As a result of the Royal report the Danish Automobile Club is to urge that Danish driving schools have their teachers trained in Britain. By this means, comments Club officials, there may be better manners and fewer accidents on Danish roads.

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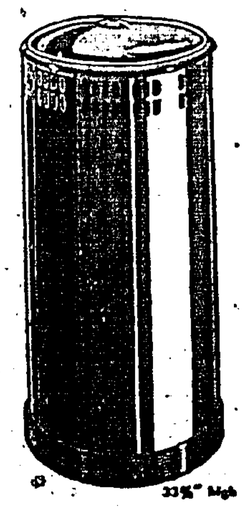

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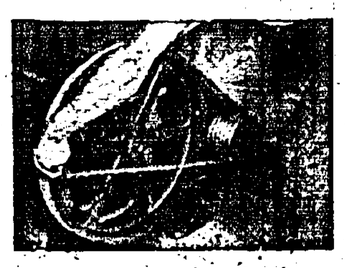

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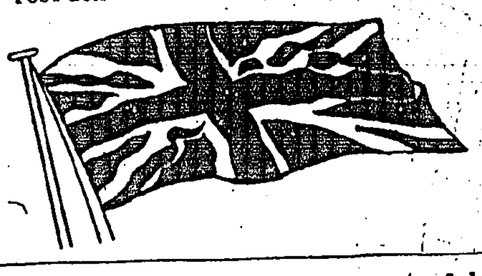

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THE MESSENGER BOY WHO RODE TO FOUR TITLES

"This is the one I lost heavily on in the Derby!"

By STANLEY RUSSELL

Fallowfield, Manchester. A summer's day in 1927. Twenty thousand people line the famous cycle track to see the race for Manchester Wheelers' 120-guinea trophy, the Muratti Gold Cup.

Twice previously this gruelling 35-lap race has been won by the Lincoln cyclist, Albert Theaker. If he does it again this time he wins the cup outright.

For lap after lap the riders speed round the track. There is a prize for the winner of each lap, but two or three of the riders, their eyes on the pot of gold at the end of the trail, ignore these minor baubles.

As the bell signals the end of the lap 34 the real drama begins. Here comes Theaker, a big 14-stoner: pedals moving with high-powered rhythm as he sweeps into the lead. The crowd roars encouragement, and it seems that the track has become the cheer-strewn pathway to the crowning triumph of his career.

But here is a challenge. Spurting in pursuit of Theaker is the local favourite, Harry Prior, of Manchester Wheelers.

The crowd's roar takes on a note of partisanship. It grows as Prior creeps up on his rival.

They round the last bend with scarcely half a wheel between them. Up to the straight Prior still gains and as their front wheels flash over the line none of the spectators can say with certainty who is the winner.

The crowd's roar softens as the two men slowly circle the track together while judges confer. Then it breaks into a fresh crescendo. Theaker has won.

Today, propped up against a wall in the garage of Theaker's home in Lincoln, is an old cycle. Stiff with disuse, it is a symbol of a bygone era, a silent reminder to the owner of the sleek, expensive car that fills most of the garage space. Albert Theaker, the man who won almost every cycling trophy on the board, who collected more than 4,000 prizes, won four English titles in a season, and competed in the world championships in four successive years, has finished with cycling.

"Me cycle? In my state of health?" he laughs, thumping his massive chest.

Theaker is now one of the biggest men in Lincoln, in every sense. He is in the middle fifties, a six-footer, weighing around 15 stone, and he is head of a prosperous business.

It was a bicycle that earned Theaker his first wages in the workaday world, and later carried him to world fame as a track cyclist.

Today he has given away nearly all his trophies, and Theaker cups for competition among the cycling clubs of Lincolnshire are legion.

In the telephone book he announces himself simply as "Albert Theaker, timber merchant and builder". The double-fronted windows and the entrance to his yard are stacked with samples. Only here, at the heart of the business, does the visitor at last find a clue to Theaker's previous identity. On a wooden partition, dividing the desk from the telephone, hangs a frame containing several photographs of a man in racing vest and shorts astride a cycle."

Assuming it safe to ignore anything Robin Hood may have done in the district, Theaker booms confidently: "I was the first man from Lincoln to win a national sports championship of any kind. I was also the first to broadcast on a sporting subject.

England's sporting history owes a lot to a fractious Irishman who was inspector in charge of the telegram delivery boys at Lincoln Post Office around 1910.

Theaker, who was one of the messengers, developed into a fast cyclist as a matter of economic necessity. The boys got three farthings for every telegram they delivered. But the inspector apparently took a dislike to young Albert.

Invariably, when a message had to be taken a long way, Theaker was selected. So to keep his earnings level with his comrades' he had to ride fast.

Began As A Runner

He gave no thought to athletics until some sports were held to celebrate the coronation of King George V. Albert entered — as a runner — and won a prize. He sought fresh sports fields to conquer, yet it did not occur to him until a year later to switch to cycle racing and use his work as a means of training.

He went into engineering, but continued to cycle at week-ends.

Theaker's war-time Navy service left no opportunity for either cycling or engineering. In 1919 he found himself starting all over again.

"I founded this business," says Theaker, "and neglected it at week-ends while I was chasing about all over the country to cycle meetings. Gradually I worked up through the cycling ranks again. I won the Muratti Gold Cup in 1923, and again the following season, but I had to wait until 1927 for my third and last victory."

His best year was 1926, when he won the English championships at 440 yards, mile, 25 miles, and the tandem title (one mile) in partnership with Albert White, of Sounthorpe. Theaker had a tandem of his own, on which he used to go for jaunts with his wife, but he had never taken part in a tandem race before the day of the championship.

His chance came when White and Jack Sibbit, who had been partners the previous year decided to split. "White asked me to go with him, and I agreed," recalls Theaker. "Our machine was not delivered until the morning of the race, and by the time we had adjusted the pedals and gears the meeting was almost due to begin.

"Hadn't we better go round the track once to get the feel of it?" I suggested. It was a good thing we did, for we nearly hit the fence. I don't know what would have happened if we had done that in the race."

Crashed At 50 M.P.H.

Theaker may not have been the greatest rider ever; among those he knew he awards that distinction to F.W. Southall. But the man who had the speed to be England's sprint champion at two distances (440 yards and one mile) and the staying power to take the 25-mile title in the same year, is versatile enough to deserve a prominent position in cycling's hall of immortality.

A fifty-mile-an-hour crash probably robbed him of the five-mile cycling title. With only 12 yards to go, he was fighting a wheel-to-wheel finish with another rider, when their wheel touched. Theaker was flung on to the track in front of the other riders. By a miracle they missed him.

Though his injuries were more painful than serious, there were fears that he would be unable to compete three weeks later at the Herne Hill "meeting of champions", Theaker was desperately anxious to ride, for he was billed against the French champion, Galvin, who had beaten him in the world championships a few weeks earlier.

For a fortnight he couldn't ride a cycle. With seven days to go he had a call from London asking if he would be fit. "I'll give you my decision in an hour," he promised.

He jumped on his bike, on a sharp spin. He returned aching but confident, and rang up London.

"I shall be fit to ride on Saturday," he announced, and he beat the French fairly comfortably.

He retained his mile and 25-mile titles in 1927, but again failed in the world championships. By now he was nearing the veteran stage, and younger riders were making their challenge. After 1927 Theaker never won a national title.

But he went in search of the fulfilment of another ambition — a second win in a one-lap sprint for the Vi-Tonica Gold Cup. In 1930 he did it. Then competitive cycling knew him no more.

Theaker put a lot of time and energy into a sport, and found it a good investment. "My wife and friends carried on the business while I was travelling all over Britain and Europe, sometimes racing at two or three meetings a day," he confesses.

As for his trophies . . . Well, if he does not remember exactly which race produced the fish servers, he can at least entertain his guests with an exhaustive description of how he acquired the three gold cups on the sideboard.

And outside, in the garage, an old and neglected cycle is propped up against the wall . . .

Tokyo Housing Shortage

If you are suffering from a housing shortage, remember that there are places in the world where the shortage is apparently worse.

One such place is Tokyo. In this City of Occupation, even landlords, crowded out of their own lodgings are finding it difficult and in some cases almost impossible, to keep a roof over their heads.

As an example, correspondent Richard Hughes relates the case of Fumikichi Nakara, a garage worker in a Tokyo Suburb, who has appealed to the police for protection from his landlord.

This protection is necessary, he maintains, because his landlord is never giving him a moment's peace in an attempt to regain possession of the Fumikichi home.

At first the police took no notice of the appeals. Now, however, even the police admit that the landlord seems to have gone too far.

In an attempt to regain the house he leased the backyard to an undertaker on condition that he stored his coffins there. The undertaker did, and now Fumikichi and his family claim they are being driven "slowly mad" by the morbid view in their backyard. The landlord merely replies that the backyard is his to let out whom he pleases and that anyway, coffins never hurt anyone.

POPULATION REPORT, 1984?

Motor Tour In China

No. 3--The Hospitable Landlords

By KATHLEEN HICKLEY

(This is the third in a series of articles in which an English woman describes how she and her husband left Shanghai by car, shortly before the Communist attack in a journey into the interior. They did not see as much of the interior of China as they intended, but their tour still makes interesting reading.—The Editor)

Any visitor who travels through China staying with European friends, or at Eastern missions exclusively, only sees half the picture.

China's village inns are as much an institution in the interior as are our locals at home, and to find out how the other half lives you just have to stay there despite the discomforts.

I had my first experience of these village hostelries in a small town in the province of Chekiang. We arrived as it was getting dark and managed to find the only inn.

It was a one-storied building, half mud, half timbered. It had three rooms, the centre one the kitchen, mine host's bedroom, dining room, sitting room, chicken run, venue of the village elders debating society, and several other things.

The two guest rooms led off one on each side. They had two beds each, both wearing somewhat grubby canopies, but there was a half inch thick mattress, as well as some doubtful looking cotton wadded bedcovers.

The sole lighting was provided by a candlewick floating in a bowl of oil. This did not displease us as no one had any desire to explore further. I imagine in this case ignorance was bliss.

The landlord did everything he could for our comfort, bringing us bowls of hot water, filling thermos flasks, and providing an excellent meal.

We have found the country people very friendly, quite unlike the Shanghailanders and city dwellers generally. They certainly have no inhibitions; if they are curious they don't mind admitting it and they are always curious.

A person of a modest and retiring nature would not, I feel, get very far in China. Every movement is watched with the closest interest, and as there is almost a complete lack of privacy in these small places, the results are quite amusing.

When we were eating our meal there must have been 50 people gathered around the table, watching each mouthful, and the simple act of making a cup of coffee was regarded with respectful awe.

When we had finished we went into the bedroom and began to take out our pyjamas. All the people flocked to the door and as we gently, but firmly closed it, they scooted round to the window and took up other vantage points.

The wooden planks of which the bedroom wall were made had inch wide gaps between them in places; the walls themselves were only six feet high.

Peeping Toms scrambled up on each others shoulders so that they could see over the top, and we could hear the heavy breathing of fascinated but unseen watchers whistling through the gaps.

Having a bath under these circumstances became a major operation, but a 10-hour ride over China's dusty roads leaves one pretty filthy and there was nothing to do but to carry on with as much dignity as possible, and try to imagine oneself securely locked in the privacy of a bathroom.

These people's lives must be so deadly and monotonous that any little thing out of the ordinary is something to talk about for weeks. Ah Lee, our Chinese interpreter, told me that in all probability for some time to come events in the future will be pinpointed as "So many days after the foreigners stayed here."

The next night was very much the same, except that the inn was larger and had two stories. The top floor was frightfully rickety, and creaked and swayed under our feet.

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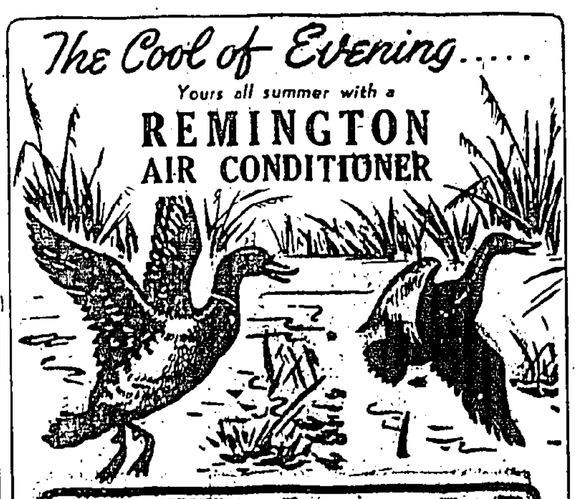

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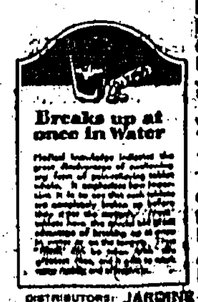

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INDUSTRIALIST SAYS:

DOLLAR SAVING IS NOT THE SOLUTION

London, July 8.

Britain should concentrate on exporting her technical skill and knowledge, reducing her export prices and speeding deliveries rather than on dollar-saving palliatives, Mr. G. D. Birla, the Indian industrialist) said here today.

In an exclusive interview with the Press Trust of India, Mr. Birla said: "If Britain is to maintain her present standard of living, she must continue to export technical skill and knowledge, which must always be far in advance of that of other countries.

"Secondly, Britain cannot maintain her present rate of sterling unless she exports more at lower prices, which other countries in the world can pay.

"The British must work hard. The Chancellor of the Exchequer has said that Labour Government will not reduce wages, but how can a way be found out of the financial crisis unless wages are reduced, working hours are increased or more and more machines are installed?

"The present rate of sterling is an artificial one. I do not think that devaluation will do any good, but Britain may be compelled to let sterling loose to find its own level.

"I believe that it is essential for Britain to collaborate with India, which has large undeveloped resources and is anxious to industrialise but has not got the equipment and the know-how.

"India wants machinery from Britain, but the general complaint is that deliveries are very slow. As a matter of fact, orders placed in 1945 have not yet been completed. It should always be remembered that if I place orders for a millions Pounds worth of machinery, and even if 90 per cent of it is delivered, my plant will still not run.

Big Competitors

"I do not think the United States is a serious competitor of Britain in Asia, at any rate in India. She may be one day, but I consider that the greatest competition to Britain will come from Germany, Belgium, Switzerland and Italy.

"Before the war Germany could undersell Britain very easily; with lower wages there is no reason why she should not do it again. I believe this is possible after two or three years, for Germany is coming up very quickly.

"Another competitor in the future may be Japan. Already she is in the market with textiles and textile machinery.

"The paradox of the financial crisis in Britain is that while she is passing through it she has full employment and a shortage of manpower. It is clear she is not using economical equipment in some phases of her production, that more men are being employed per machine, for instance than in the United States.

Plain Truth

"I think Britain has fewer labour-saving devices than the United States, and the effect of this upon the cost of production is obvious.

"What is England's position today She has never had ample resources of her own with which to maintain a high standard of living. But she has had ample skill and technical knowledge. She started to industrialise earlier than any other country in the world, with the result that she was always well in advance.

"She established a reputation, markets, shipping, insurance companies, invested money abroad and brought raw materials back. During the war she lost many of her foreign investments and she cannot be called a rich country any more.

"Britain, in fact, now has only her skill to export. You may call it 'manufactured goods' or 'technical know-how' if you wish, but it is skill.

"The plain truth is that Britain depends upon the raw materials of other countries. If she can export plenty of skill she can maintain her standard of living. But she will not succeed if she has not the skill, or if the skill of other countries is greater.

Only Deception

"It is no use the British people talking all the time about dollars. Dollars are only a short-term policy, and the British only deceive themselves if they think otherwise.

"If Britain will export technical skill and produce goods at lower prices, she need not be concerned with dollar shortages. Why, indeed, should he worry about dollars at all? At present she is living, in a way, on charity.

"If Britain's economy is going to be Socialist," Mr. Birla asked, "will it produce as much technical skill as under private enterprise? The Labour Government is not interested in private profits and this undoubtedly leads to less efficiency. If that be so, how can Britain compete with the rest of the world?"

Mr. Birla, who is visiting Western countries to study the latest production methods, arrived here from the United States just over a week ago. He plans to stay a further two or three weeks in London before returning to India. He has already met the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and hopes to meet Sir Stafford Cripps during the next few days. —Reuter.

HOFFMAN ON AID TO EUROPE

Washington, July 8.

The ECA Administrator, Mr. Paul Hoffman, today officially announced that he has advised the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation of his willingness to extend conditional aid in accordance with the principles agreed on July 2 by the OEEC Council for intra-European payments for 1949-50.

In a statement of approval of that decision, the ECA said partially: "It is the view of the ECA that the principles upon which agreement has been reached make possible an advance towards breaking down bilateral trade and payments practices which have become so prevalent in the post-war economic relations of participating countries. It is also expected that increased flexibility in intra-European payments arrangements will increase competitive efforts of participating countries in their trade with one another, with all attendant advantages which such philosophy implies.

"In the opinion of the ECA, the principles upon which the intra-European payments system for 1949-50 is to be based represent substantial progress over principles and methods employed in the year 1948-49.

"Adoption of last year's plan was dictated by the necessity of maintaining and expanding useful trade among participants.

"The urgency and importance of the task were such that it was necessary to devise a scheme which corresponded to trade and payments policies and practices prevailing at that time. It was recognised, however, that these policies and practices were not those suitable to the multilateral trade and payments system which it is the purpose of the ECA to foster."—United Press.

SABOTEUR GETS GAOL TERM

Berlin, July 8.

A German court in the Soviet sector of Berlin today sentenced a 19-year-old apprentice, Horst Walluks, to 18 months' imprisonment for inciting sabotage against railway installations during the West Berlin railway strike.

The only witness was a woman member of the Soviet sector police, who gave evidence that Walluks urged a number of young men to block the tracks of the railway at Gesunbrunnen station, in the French sector, on May 22. —Reuter.

Tel Aviv, July 8.

An Israeli military spokesman announced tonight that an Israeli soldier was killed when fire was opened from Arab Legion positions in the Deir Abutor area of Jerusalem. The Israeli troops did not retaliate, the spokesman added.—Reuter.

"YES. THEY COME IN FOR A LOT OF PRESSURE THESE DAYS"

FALANGE DEMANDS REFORMS FROM GENERAL FRANCO

Madrid, July 8.

The leaders of the Spanish Falange Party have asked Generalissimo Francisco Franco for fundamental reforms.

They include an end to press censorship, the removal of price controls and better food distribution.

The leaders who made the appeal are the Civil Governors in each of Spain's 50 provinces. It was the result of a four-day conference held in Madrid this week, during which the Party leaders visited the Generalissimo at El Pardo Place.

The conclusion of the conference has not yet been published in the Spanish press. The Falange leaders sharply criticised the activities of some members of the Cabinet, according to reliable information, but did not challenge General Franco himself.

According to observers here, the Falange leaders asked that:

Civil servants should only be allowed to hold one post.

Price control should be abolished.

The food control policy should be totally reformed.

They said that in some provinces the bread ration is only issued on eight days in the month.

Measures should be taken against unemployment and hunger. Changes should be made in high State posts, where the holders were "physically tired out."

Censorship should cease and the Spanish newspaperman should recover the freedom of his profession.

Senor Raimundo Fernandez Cuesta, Minister of Justice, and General Secretary of the Falange Party, defended the Government at the end of the conference.

Political observers here believe that the conclusions of the Party leaders reflect the desire of the Falangists to have a greater share in higher Government posts than they held at present.—Reuter.

Motor Tour In China

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Here again we found courtesy and regard for our comfort. In spite of the hard beds I have never slept so soundly in my life.

As we had to get to Chungking as soon as possible we were working to a rigid schedule, therefore our meals were cut to two a day.

Breakfast is taken about 10 o'clock. Then we carry on until our night stop, which is any time between six and eight in the evening.

The food is pretty good, but there is nothing to get your teeth into, and after a few days you find you are thinking reminiscently of a solid steak with lashings of bread and butter.

Fruit is almost unknown in these parts. At one village we opened a tin of pineapple and offered it to the children. The toddlers looked very solemn and were too shy to take it from us, and the older ones were suspicious until we ate a little ourselves.

When we convinced them it wasn't poisonous, they tucked in, and thoroughly enjoyed it.

(Continued Next Sunday)

ERUPTION ON LAS PALMAS

Santa Cruz, July 8.

The volcano on Las Palmas Island began erupting today with heavy explosions.

Lava flowed down to a point near one of the principal roads. No casualties have been reported. —Associated Press.

How Gold Rumour Started

Johannesburg, July 8.

How a false report of a fabulously rich gold strike on a farm at Dankhaarheld, adjoining Erfdeel in the Orange Free State, came to be issued to the world was told by a journalist today at an official commission of inquiry in Johannesburg into the incident.

Harold Robertson, a sub-editor on the South African Press Association, said in evidence that on Monday, June 6, he went to the Stock Exchange where brokers and others told him of rumours of a strike at Dankhaarheld.

Robertson said that Joseph Milne, managing director of the Union Free State Corporation, told him that he knew gold had been discovered on Dankhaarheld and result were good and he expected final results that night.

Robertson said: "I was convinced that there was a strike and on the strength of that I telephoned my office to release a story—but as an unconfirmed report.

"I said that if it were denied I would leave journalism."

When the report was officially denied soon afterwards by the Anglo-American Corporation, Robertson again visited Milne asking for a statement to clarify the position.

Milne, however, said that his name was not mentioned in the original report and therefore it was unnecessary for it to be mentioned now.

"He seemed completely indifferent," added Robertson.—Associated Press.

ELIZABETH PRAISES GUARDS

Caterham, July 8.

Princess Elizabeth praised young Guardsmen fighting in Malaya when, as Colonel of the Grenadier Guards, she inspected a company of recruits here today.

She told the Guardsmen that it was not for nothing that the Grenadiers had won their high reputation for discipline, devotion and courage. "I know the recruits who have recently joined the battalion, and especially those fighting in Malaya, have proved once again that the younger generation is fully upholding the standards set by their predecessors, in spite of the comprative shortness of their training," she said.—Reuter.

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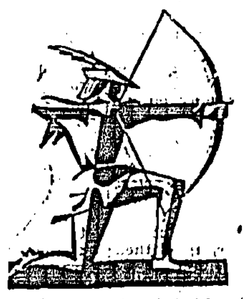

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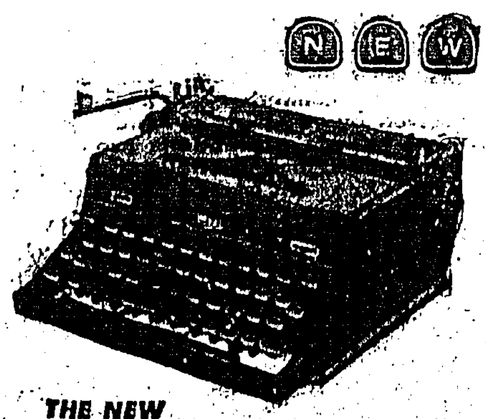

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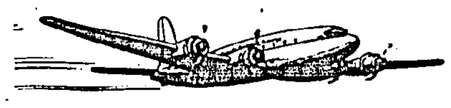

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TOURIST DOLLARS

The tourist season in Britain is now approaching its height, and looks like being more successful even than last year, when the "trade" made the greatest single dollar-earning contribution to the nation's drive to balance her payments with America, exceeding any manufacturing industry.

The Travel Association, a Government-sponsored body responsible for world-wide publicity, expects the total of overseas visitors to Britain this year to reach 560,000, of whom about 150,000 will be from North America. They are expected to spend £55,000,000, of which a third should be in the sought-after dollars. The country is therefore about half way to achieving the hard currency target she has set herself for 1952-3.

Although much remains to be done, the Socialists can take credit for encouraging this lucrative earning source to a fair degree, until now one tenth more visitors are arriving than in pre-war years. Visas have been abolished for travellers from the U.S., the Commonwealth and a number of European countries. Special petrol allowances have been granted, together with exemption from food ration cards up to 56 days, and the majority of hotels requisitioned by government departments during the war have now been returned to their owners. These have been permitted to spend large sums of money in redecoration, etc.

Very much still remains to be done, however, and the faults are not all due to the Socialist regime. One of the most frequent complaints made by visitors is about hotel service and comforts. Apart from places like the Savoy and the Dorchester in the largest cities, which are comparable with any in the world, the rest are sadly lacking in amenities and comfort. One of the reasons is the post-war law making the permissible number of working hours so short that essential functionaries such as waiters and chambermaids are often lacking, especially in the evening. But until everyone from hoteliers downwards show a genuine desire to please, tourists will often take away with them very unfavourable reports.

Food, too, in the average restaurant is frequently uninspired, tasteless and badly prepared. Overseas visitors do not expect juicy steaks, but when one compares what can be done by ingenious foreigners in Soho with the same materials, the contrast tends to give point to the music hall jokes about British cooking.

The State-owned railways, too, leave much to be desired. Trains such as the Royal Scot and the Flying Scotsman are second to none, but apart from such luxury expresses, the lack of comfort and service is very apparent.

One could multiply such instances indefinitely, not forgetting the rudeness of shopkeepers. The crux of the matter is that not only is a world-wide publicity organisation necessary, but a nation-wide campaign to impress on the people how much they can do to make or mar this vitally important "industry." And the government should look to its own shortcomings: it might, for instance, put better quality goods in Home shops, to be sold for hard currency if necessary.

Socialism And Liberty

The resignation of Lord Milverton from the Socialist Party is a significant event.

The gravamen of his charge against his former colleagues is that they are gradually extinguishing liberty, and that they are moving towards the creation of a totalitarian State.

We must not hastily condemn the Government, composed as it is mainly of men who rendered loyal and valuable service throughout the war, nor should we hastily condemn the party and its sympathisers, who include some 50 per cent of our fellow countrymen.

But so serious an indictment, coming from so respectable a source, demands our attention and deserves our careful consideration.

Against Will

Nobody supposes that Mr. Attlee has any ambition to emulate Adolf Hitler; that Mr Bevin bears the slightest resemblance to Ribbentrop; or that Mr. Herbert Morrison conceals beneath his genial exterior the heart of a Himmler.

Yet it may be that these well-meaning men are, without their own knowledge and against their own will, so conducting the affairs of Great Britain that something similar to a totalitarian State will gradually emerge from the mist as the goal towards which we are inevitably travelling.

I do not believe that we shall ever arrive at that tragic conclusion, because to the eyes of the vast majority of our people the totalitarian State appears as abominable as it does to those of Lord Milverton.

Must Fail

Nor do I honestly believe that it recommends itself to many of our Socialist friends. I believe, on the contrary, that the present Government are sincerely attempting to combine Socialism with liberty, and because I hold that these two are incompatible, I believe that they must fail, and I fear that in failing they may do irreparable damage to the country.

It would appear to be the intention of the "Welfare State" to provide the citizens with everything that they can require in life—with care and nourishment when they are infants; with the best education so long as they may need it; with agreeable work, sufficient leisure and recreation when they are grown up; with wigs and dentures when they are old; and when they die, with a funeral of which their relatives need not be ashamed.

These are very great benefits. To procure these rewards civilised man has been willing, throughout his history, to devote the greater part of his life to hard, and usually uncongenial, work. Is he in future to receive them for nothing?

Earn Reward

The Socialist will reply that the work he performs will earn the benefits he receives. But supposing he happens to be one of those to whom hard work makes no appeal? Will he be punished? He will doubtless receive less money, but will he go hungry?

That seems to be the crux of the matter. For, whether Socialists believe it or not, there are many people in this world who,

By SIR DUFF COOPER

so long as they have enough to eat and drink and a warm place to sleep, so long also, as they know that their children are being well cared for and taught, will themselves prefer to pass their days in blessed idleness.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer is already complaining that production is going down. How does he propose to send it up again, so long as those who earn much money are not allowed to keep it and those who earn no money are not allowed to suffer?

In all human affairs there must be observed some principle of reciprocity. The man who confers the benefit expects something in return. The parents who give their children everything they need demand, in return, obedience.

Obedience Too

If the State is in future to act as the parents of the citizen, not only in childhood but throughout life, it is natural, it is logical that the State should demand obedience. But if the citizen is compelled, in all matters, to obey the Government, liberty is doomed, and the foundations of the totalitarian State are laid.

The Communists have understood this and they have not been afraid to face the logical consequences. They do not claim for a moment that liberty, as we in the West understand it, can exist side by side with Communism. And Communism is only Socialism carried to its logical conclusion.

There is no danger of output diminishing owing to absenteeism in Russia. If any man shows an inclination not to work in that happy land he is apt to find himself in a concentration camp, when he will certainly work until he dies—even though that may not be long.

Liberty Goes

It is a practical system. It produces, from an economic point of view, satisfactory results. But it produces them at the price of liberty, which it remorselessly condemns.

Lord Milverton has observed, in his long experience of public affairs, that bureaucracy strangles enterprise. And he sees signs that it is beginning to do so in Great Britain. Have the majority of Englishmen considered what the death of enterprise would mean to our country?

There may exist countries—it is easy to imagine such: small, fruitful, and under-populated—which can afford to ignore enterprise, producing sufficient for the needs of the inhabitants, with a surplus which they can export in return for some simple luxuries.

But Great Britain is not such a country. We possess no natural advantages, except coal, the importance of which in industry is steadily decreasing.

Our great wealth and our excessive population have been created by the enterprise, and although most entirely the private enterprise, of our people. The cost has been a great number of private and forgotten bankruptcies.

Risks Taken

The very word enterprise suggests risk. Men will take risks for great rewards—and men have taken very great risks in the hope of making very great fortunes.

Today the bureaucracy swallows great fortunes, and nobody is going to take risks for the benefit of the Treasury.

Can the State play the role of the promoter of enterprise as well as that of the parents of children? There are two objections. In the first place, the bureaucrat is invariably a cautious creature, seeking only the approval of his seniors and thinking only of the pension he will some day enjoy.

In the second place, it may be held, with some force, that the State has no right to take risks with the property of the citizens, any more than has a trustee to speculate with the capital of his ward.

Timely Gesture

The State seems therefore, precluded both by the character of its obligations from playing a part which has proved of such vital importance to the construction of the power and prosperity of Great Britain.

With enterprise doomed and liberty theatened, Lord Milverton's gesture is timely, and it is to be hoped that his example will be followed.

Prospects In Palestine

By VISCOUNT SAMUEL

In the long, diversified and often illustrious history of Palestine, a chapter is now closing. The episode of the British Mandate is over, and a new chapter is opening. At the turn of the page we wonder what it will be. The situation is still too unsettled to allow confident predictions of any kind, but the main features are already set and the details are shaping.

It is now a year since the State of Israel was proclaimed. A government was established; elections have been held; a Parliament is functioning. The State has successfully defended itself against armed attack. It has been recognised by all the principal Powers and admitted as a member of United Nations.

All this has been done, and cannot be undone. Important questions of boundaries remain to be decided, and may perhaps take some time yet; but the outline of the map of Israel is appearing.

There is little doubt also that the more distinctively Arab districts West of the Jordan will be joined to Transjordan. No other destiny for them seems practicable. Already, in anticipation, King Abdullah has changed the name of his State to "The Kingdom of Jordan," and has brought into his Cabinet members of well-known Palestinian Arab families.

The question of Jerusalem remains. In 1947 the United Nations Assembly contemplated that Jerusalem and the surrounding area should form, between the proposed Arab and Jewish States, an independent enclave under direct international rule.

This, with the other proposals, the Arabs refused to accept. They took up arms; a four-weeks' truce was agreed, but they refused to continue it, and renewed the attack.

The result was the reverse of their anticipations; and the new lines of military occupation, under the armistice now in operation, have left the Old City of Jerusalem, with the principal Holy Places, in Arab hands, while the New City, with a Jewish population of 100,000, is occupied and administered by the Israelis.

An International Enclave?

A closer examination of the plan for an international enclave has raised new doubts in many quarters. It is no longer a question of diplomats sitting at a table drawing a circle on a map. It is the practical question of setting up a government, maintaining law and order ensuring supplies, stopping contraband, providing communications for a living population — active and highly political, often inflammable, and divided into two communities, which have been mutually antagonistic, and may easily become so again.

A permanent armed force would be indispensable if authority is to be maintained. Is the United Nations prepared to establish one as the immediate first step?

The Government to be efficient must be harmonious. Is it to be a Council representative of the principal Powers? If so, is it likely to be any more unanimous than in Berlin? Or is it to be a Council of the minor Powers? But could the great ones remain aloof? Or is authority to be vested in a single Governor? In that case, would there be any better prospect of agreement who the Governor should be than at Trieste?

Nor is there any assurance that the plan would now be acceptable to either of the States in military possession. King Abdullah, installed in the Old City, might need much persuasion before he would disappoint Moslem opinion all over the world by voluntarily marching out again.

The Israeli Government would find it a hard task to persuade its Parliament and its electorate to accept the amputation of its historic capital. All hearts are set on it, with a fervour even greater than that, a hundred years ago, of the Italians for Roma.

On the other hand, the question of the Holy Places, whether in Jerusalem or elsewhere in Palestine, does not appear to present any difficulty at all. The Israeli Government made, on May 5, a formal statement to the United Nations that it "advocates and supports" the establishment by U.N. of "an international regime" for the control and protection of all the Holy Places, with guaranteed free access for the members of the Faiths to which they belong.

Here is a country with, at best, a very restricted territory without coal or oil, and with hardly any raw materials; its commerce on a small scale, with imports several times as great as exports; its present cost of living higher, probably, than any other country in the world; and its Jewish population of 600,000 being increased, by their own voluntary act, at the rate of 50 per cent in two years, with more immigrants, in hundreds of thousands, to follow after. How are all these people to live?

Plans For The Future

In a short space I can give only a condensed summary of the plans that are in hand, as I was told about them during my month's stay recently in the country.

First, a concentrated effort has been set on foot to lower the excessive level of prices. It is obvious that this is the first condition for economic stability. A series of measures are now being taken, closely following the Cripps policy, to bring this about. It is realised there—as it is in Britain—that increased production at home and trade abroad is the most important of all the means to lower prices.

The Zionist movement, from the beginning, has laid stress on the revival of Jewish agriculture in Palestine. This is now emphasised more than ever. It may be expected that before long the well-watered or irrigable parts of the country will be cultivated as intensively as Belgium or Holland.

Small, and sometimes large, industries have been established in recent years in an astonishing variety, and the advent of numbers of experienced industrialists and skilled workmen from Europe will make a further development. The supply of electric power, mostly from oil-fuel stations, which has trebled in the last three years, needs at once to be doubled again.

A merchant marine is being created; 12 ships have been acquired as a beginning: a nautical school has been established, and proposes to train 5,000 sailors in the next few years; the ports of Haifa and Jaffa-Tel-Aviv are to be modernised and greatly enlarged.

There are in the country considerable reserves of capital, supplemented already by a dollar loan from America of 100 millions, with a prospect of more to follow.

In addition, voluntary contributions, mainly for social purposes but also for land purchase and development, are flowing in, at the rate of many millions a year, both of pounds and dollars, from all over the world.

Will this suffice to feed the population, provide housing, increase exports, lower the cost of living and prevent unemployment? Only the future writer of that next chapter will be able to say. But if energy and enthusiasm, intelligence and self-sacrifice can bring this about, then there is ground to hope that achieved it will be.

THIS WAS THEIR FINEST HOUR

The first volume of Mr. Churchill's War Memoirs ended with his acceptance of the post of Prime Minister on May 10, 1940, following the opening of the German offensive against Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg and France that morning.

The second volume pursues the story till the end of 1940, with a small carry-over to record the crowning of Lord Wavell's desert victories by captures of Bardia and Tobruk.

This period of roughly eight months was that of the greatest peril for Great Britain in her modern history, and well deserves its 650 pages. It could not have a better title than the well-known phrase which Mr. Churchill has quoted from one of the greatest of his war speeches—that made on June 18, 1940, on the morrow of France's Bordeaux collapse.

With such a theme the reader will expect his interest to be held at high levels; nor will he be disappointed. The successive happenings—the first collapse of the French front, ending in Dunkirk; the second French collapse, followed by the Bordeaux armistice; the French fleet problem and the battle at Oran; the concentration of German force against our island; the Battle of Britain; the bombing of London; the events in the Mediterranean and North Africa—are so vivid that at times they seem, as it were, to write themselves.

Yet that is an illusion; it is to the author's gift for picking the significant episodes and for finding, time and again, the exact word or phrase to bring home their meaning, that we owe the terse clarity and ordered impressiveness of what so easily else might have been a tangled tale.

The War Machine

With it all, Mr. Churchill does not shirk topics that are essential to the history, though impossible to dramatise. Thus in his first chapter, with all the Battle of France calling him, he firmly leaves it waiting, while he explains in careful detail the central machinery through which Great Britain's war effort was directed and controlled—his own position as Minister of Defence, the position of the War Cabinet.

There are more ways than one of adapting the institutions of democratic government to meet the needs of war, and the Churchill method in the second World War differed materially from the Lloyd George method in the first. The account of it here furnished by its author is invaluable as stating just how he saw it.

It gave him, in practice, wide scope for personal initiatives. Normally these would be checked by the Chiefs of Staff and the Cabinet, but not always.

Thus in his chapter, "The Wizard War," where he discloses what at the time were among the war's closest-kept secrets—the story of the various "beams" employed by the Germans to guide their night-bombers and of the highly successful British devices for distorting them and causing

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their guidance to misguide—he describes how he set the countermeasures on foot entirely on his own responsibility.

"With so much going on I did not trouble the Cabinet or even the Chiefs of Staff." In this case, of course, the extremest secrecy and fullest speed were essential, and the result amply justified what was done. But not every Prime Minister, if clothed with such powers, would have used them so fruitfully.

The fact is that the system was modelled to the man, Mr. Churchill was not merely a civilian with fighting gifts, as Lloyd George had been. He had seen considerable active service as a military officer; subsequently he had been head at different times of all the three Service departments; and from first to last he had devoted immense study to military history and practice.

He knew the higher personnel of the Services at first hand, and could discuss their policies with them in their own language. Hence the constant harmony during the second war between the Government and the commanders, few of whom were disappointments.

And yet even Mr. Churchill could not always get what he decreed done. A case which comes out in this volume is that of Crete and Suda Bay.

From the earliest date when we could occupy it he stressed its strategical importance and the need so to fortify our grip on it that we could not be expelled. Alas, the injunctions were neglected. Perhaps even Mr. Churchill was thinking of the problem too much in naval terms. It needed the German exploit of the following year, when they captured the island by airborne attack in face of the complete local superiority of the British Navy, to bring home the extent to which warplanes had superseded warships in narrow seas. Another interesting case is Pantellaria.

In December, 1940, Mr. Churchill strongly backed a proposal by Sir Roger Keyes to capture it by commandos, and hold it as giving good air command over the most-used Italian route to Libya and the British convoy route, through the Narrows. It looks a good scheme, but it was not adopted.

As in the earlier volume, Mr. Churchill has extensively utilised the information available since the war as to the enemy's plans and outlook. It is of especial interest during the period when Great Britain stood alone against Germany.

The chapter "Operation Sea Lion" recounts the series of 1940 propositions for invading England. We on our side were anticipating that attack between the Wash and Dover was quite as likely as attack in the Channel. But in fact the German plans were for the Channel only.

Battle Of Britain

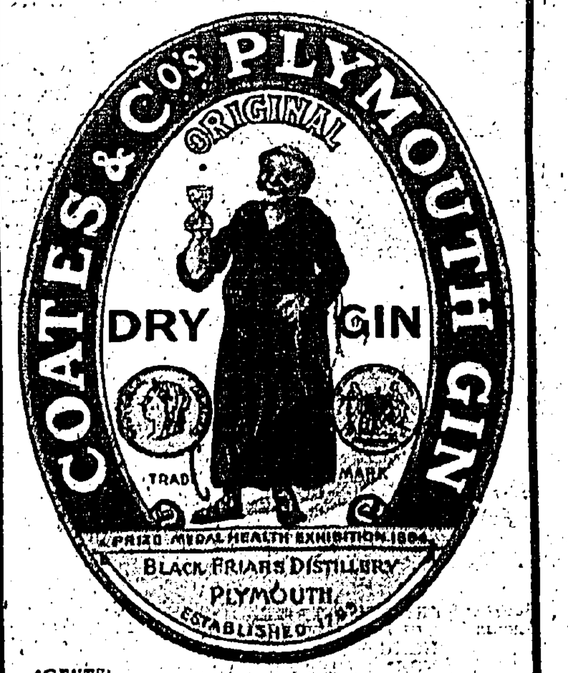
For this they collected a quantity of barges and small craft, but there was never any real agreement as to how, when, or where to use it. The Army and the Navy took divergent views; and, while each sought to throw responsibility on the other, they were both glad to put it on the Air Force.

It is interesting to note how, on the whole, the views of the British and German Naval Staffs came (unknown to each other) to coincide. The defeat of the German Air Force in the Battle of Britain caused the schemes to be abandoned—the more easily because Goering as Air Chief always preferred to try wearing down the British by night bombardments.

In a record like this points to note are very numerous. Here are a few. The British Government's proposal of June 16, 1940, for "indissoluble union" between Britain and France, was largely French in origin. Mr. Churchill's first reaction to it was unfavourable, he only yielded to the majority.

Here is another: "Notwithstanding the valiant work of the small craft (on the beaches), it must not be forgotten that the heaviest burden fell on the ships plying from Dunkirk harbour, where two-thirds of the men were embarked."

Here is a third. On June 18, 1940, Molotov, summoned the German Ambassador, "and expressed the warmest congratulations of the Soviet Government on the splendid success of the German Armed Forces." A week later Mr. Churchill wrote to Stalin pointing out the menace which that victory held for Russia. Which of them was right? June, 1941, was to show.



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GRAVITY OF CRISIS: NEW TALKS FORECAST

U.S. Secretary Of State May Take A Hand

TRIPARTITE MEETING

Washington, July 8.

Reports circulating here today suggest that new high level talks may be held between British and American officials in six or eight weeks to work out long-range solutions to the British economic crisis.

Some dipomatic authorities say that the problem now appears to be so serious that it seems unlikely that solutions can be worked out without a meeting of high officials.

On the American side, this might presumably mean that the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, would participate. Such a conference would follow the London meeting of British Commonwealth officials.

The present mission in Europe of the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder, is more concerned with investigating and reporting than with actual negotiations, according to reliable information here.

It is understood that Mr. Snyder was sent to Europe by President Truman to find out what the problems are and what the European leaders think about possible solutions, and then to report back to the President and the United States Cabinet.

Publicly, American officials generally take the line that Britain's severe dollar shortage is a result of conditions which can be effectively dealt with, so that the success of the European Recovery Programme will not be jeopardised.

Privately, they are becoming increasingly concerned not only about how the British will be able to increase their world trade so that they can get the dollars they need, but also about the political effects of the current crisis.

Reports to the State Department on Soviet-Communist propaganda show that Moscow is trying to make capital out of the situation. Russia is taking the line that the Western democracies are now confronted with the failure of the Marshall Plan and with a breakdown of the capitalist system.

London Talks

The Anglo-American - Canadian talks on the Sterling-Dollar crisis were adjourned in London this evening in an atmosphere described immediately afterwards as excellent.

They will be resumed tomorrow morning.

Leading the tripartite discussion are Sir Stafford Cripps, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. John W. Snyder, United States Secretary of the Treasury, and Mr. Douglas Abbott, Finance Minister of Canada.

Today's talks, spread over two sessions lasting a total of three and three-quarter hours, took the form of an exploration of the present dollar and gold position of the Sterling Area and that Area's export and import trade with the dollar countries.

There was an analytical discussion of the factors at work in the present disequilibrium of trade and the increased drain on the reserves.

Solution of the Dollar-Sterling deadlock was approached today as an international problem of which Britain's immediate situation is only a part.

The problem was focussed, on the eve of the conference, by Sir Stafford's Parliamentary announcement on Wednesday that the dollar and gold reserves of the Sterling Area fell from £471,000,000 as at March 31 last to £400,000,000 on June 30.

Urgent Desire

The drop in reserves was due to a variety of causes including the American recession, resulting in a fall of Sterling exports to the United States.

The Finance Ministers of the Commonwealth meet here next Thursday to examine the whole economic structure of the Sterling Area. Their talks will be powerfully affected by the outcome of the present tripartite conference between Britain, the United States and Canada.

It is assumed by observers that Washington's urgent desire to end the division of the world into two zones—one a low-priced hard currency area, the other a high-price soft currency area continually restricting its hard currency purchases—was kept well in the forefront today.

Despite the ultimate American objective of free convertibility of Sterling, usually well-informed United States quarters here see no reason to suppose that Mr. Snyder is pressing for anything like immediate convertibility.

Nor is it believed that the senior officials of the United States Treasury have committed themselves to a rigid line for or against currency devaluation. But it is no secret that may people in Washington think that some currency readjustments may have to figure in the movement toward convertibility.

It is pointed out that the United States sees a cut in British and European costs as another means to enable trading and progress toward multilateral convertibility. Currency devaluation would merely be one possible method of cutting costs. It has been widely described as having many disadvantages.

Loose talk about Sterling devaluation—alleged to have aggravated Britain's dollar shortage by curtailing American purchases in the Sterling Area—has evidently perturbed Mr. Paul G. Hoffman, Economic Co-Operation Administrator, American quarters said. Decisions about Sterling are recognised to be a matter of sovereignty for Britain and the Sterling Area.

In banking circles it is thought that Mr. Snyder may urge at least gradual progress toward convertibility, which is Britain's ultimate aim. It is on the matter of timing that British and American views may have to be reconciled.

For his part, Sir Stafford may argue that if progress in the right direction—arrested by recent events—is to be resumed, special co-operative steps will need to be taken to surmount the awkward transition.

Measures which observers suggest as possible are:

Mutual arrangements to enable Britain to earn more dollars.

British action to make her prices more competitive in the United States market.

Tariff or other arrangements on the American side to allow more Sterling goods into the United States.

On the American side such measures should require Congressional action. One published suggestion, which would not, is that the United States should buy strategic materials from the Sterling Area for stockpiling.

Limited Relief

The United States State Department has expressed the opinion that this could give Britain only limited relief.

British observers believe that today's talks did not reach the point of discussing any specific remedies. They think that this be reached tomorrow.

It is not known definitely tonight when the talks will conclude.

If Mr. Snyder adheres to his present intention of leaving for Brussels by air on Sunday afternoon, the sessions may end tomorrow night, but his time-table has been described as flexible.

Those concerned in today's talks, in addition to the "Big Three" were:

Britain:—Mr. Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade; Mr. Douglas Jay, Economic Secretary to the Treasury; Sir Henry Wilson Smith, one of the Treasury secretaries concerned with overseas finance; Sir Oliver Franks, British Ambassador in Washington.

United States:—Mr. Averell Harriman, Marshall Plan envoy; Mr. Lewis Douglas, United States Ambassador in London; Mr. William Martin and Mr. W. L. Hebbard, two United States Treasury representatives.

Canada:—Mr. Dana Wilgress, High Commissioner in London; Mr. Norman Robertson, Secretary of the Canadian Cabinet; and Dr. W. C. Clark, Deputy Minister of Finance.—Reuter.

KLM Suspends China Route

The Hague, July 8.

The Royal Dutch Airlines, KLM, announced today that they are suspending their air service to the China area in view of the uncertain Chinese situation.

The suspension will be effective July 15 and the Canton terminal of the weekly Batavia-Canton schedule will be shifted to Bangkok temporarily.—United Press.

BRITISH APPROACH TO U.S.

Washington, July 8.

Diplomatic authorities today said Britain has suggested informally that the United States release her from the terms of her US$750,000,000 loan agreement of 1946, which provides for non-discrimination against American goods in world trade.

The informants said the proposal so far has been made in the form of tentative inquiries as one of a number of possible ways to end Britain's dollar crisis. The matter is expected to be taken up formally by the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder, during his London conferences.

Under Article 9 of the British-American loan agreement, Britain promised not to set up import quotas which would discriminate against American goods. Presumably any relaxation of this provision would require Congressional approval.

British officials said their government is definitely "on the spot" because of the non-discrimination clause. They recall that Britain had promised it would not violate the provisions, but they said their Government now wants it modified if possible.

The United States Treasury and the British Embassy said they have no knowledge of the reported request.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S DUTY TO INDIA

London, July 8.

Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said tonight that it is Britain's duty and privilege to help India raise the appalling low standards of her people.

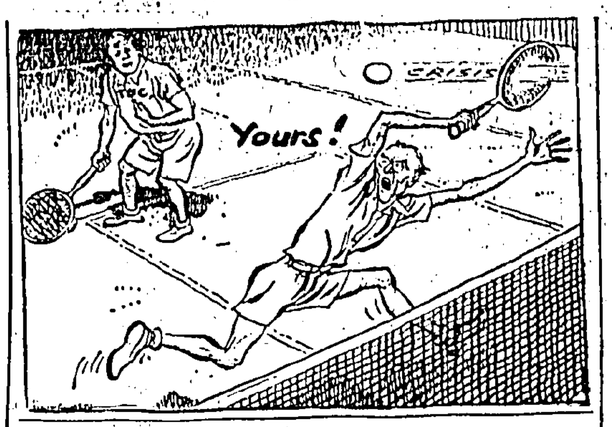
Sir Stafford, speaking at the annual dinner of the Indian Merchants' Bureau, said: "We are living in a great period of economic re-adjustment. We have to re-think our commercial and financial relations with India, and both of us have to reconsider our relations as members of the sterling area with the other parts of the world."

Sir Stafford welcomed Dr. John Matthai, finance Minister of India, as a strong champion in the field of finance. "We shall regard the joust as a fitting sport to be followed by a friendly carousal and complete agreement," he said.

"We know that the development of our resources in Great Britain and of India's resources are of the utmost important to the world as a whole. India, with its vast population, has before it a tremendous task of expansion, both in agriculture and industry.

"To raise the appalling low standards of its people and to contribute to the general world supply of goods and commodities is India's duty.

"We can do a great deal to help—that is our duty and our privilege and by giving that held we can contribute to the maintenance of the standards of our own people and of the world."—Reuter.



BRUSSELS NEXT: SNYDER TO HOLD TALKS WITH SPAAK

Brussels, July 8.

The United States Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder, is expected to begin in Brussels on Monday important monetary and trade talks with the Belgian authorities following his financial talks in London today.

He will meet Belgium's caretaker Premier and Foreign Minister, M. Paul-Henri Spaak, who is also the current Chairman of the Organisation for European Economic Co-Operation.

Talks will continue over a dinner which M. Gaston Eyskens, out-going Belgian Finance Minister, is giving on Monday night in honour of Mr. Snyder. Mr. Snyder will be entertained at luncheon on Tuesday by M. Maurice Frere, Governor of the National Bank of Belgium.

The Belgians, it was learned on usually reliable authority, will resist any move to devalue the Belgian franc.

Government and financial circles today gave the following reasons for keeping the Belgian franc at its present value, even if other European currencies, including Sterling," are adjusted:

(1) The position of Belgium's gold reserves is excellent. The Belgian National Bank increased its gold reserves in the last six months by 3,000 million Belgian francs (about US$68,000,000) to 858 million Belgian francs (about US$700,000,000).

(2) The last traces of inflation have been successfully wiped out and even the new credits —some 4,000 million Belgian francs (about US$8,000,000) —which Belgium has been called upon to grant to Britain, France and Holland under the new intra-European trade and payment scheme are not likely to provoke an inflatory "come-back."

(3) The Belgian export drive having achieved unprecedented records over the last six months maintains its upward trend.

Country Ready

During the first six months of 1949 Belgium had exported 42,000 million Belgian francs of goods as compared to 35,800 million Belgian francs (about US$812,000,000) worth of goods in the first six months of last year.

In the eventuality of a re-adjustment of Sterling and European currencies and the maintenance of the Belgian franc at its present rate, exports of Belgian goods, some of which would become out of reach for many a European country, would naturally drop. The Belgian authorities are understood to be prepared to face this situation.

They consider that the crisis which would then inevitably hit Belgium's industry would be a cruel but sound shock. Artificial and non-essential industries would disappear.

To stave off possible ensuing unemployment the Government is keeping a public investment programme in store.—Reuter.

SUEZ CANAL DETENTIONS

London, July 8.

A Foreign Office spokesman today said the British Ambassador to Egypt discussed the question of British shipping in the Suez Canal with the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Kashaba Pasha, yesterday.

During the past few months, over 80 British ships have been stopped by the Egyptian authorities and cargoes seized on various occasions.

A British official contended that the Egyptian emergency measures resulting from the war in Palestine are no longer justified. Several representations have been made by Britain, and the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, brought the matter to the attention of the Egyptian Foreign Minister in Paris last month.—United Press.

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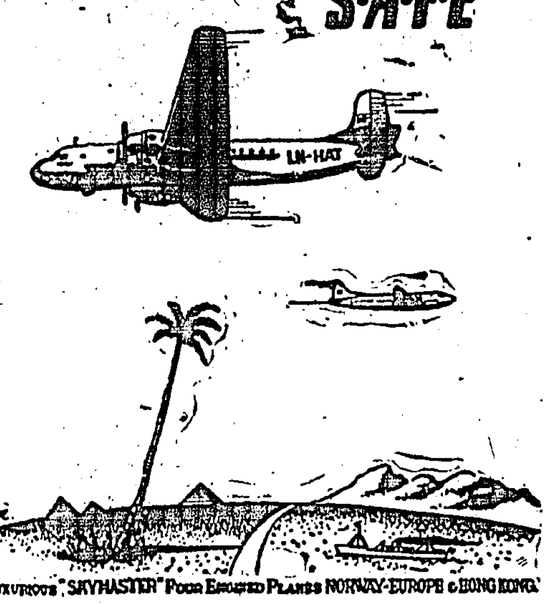

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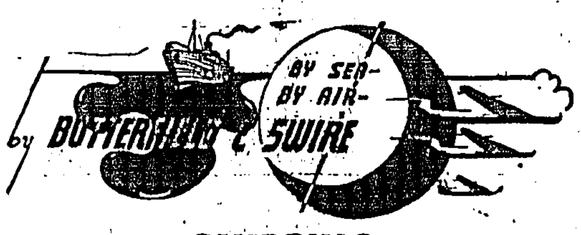

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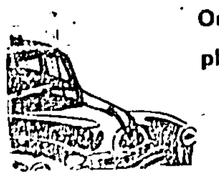

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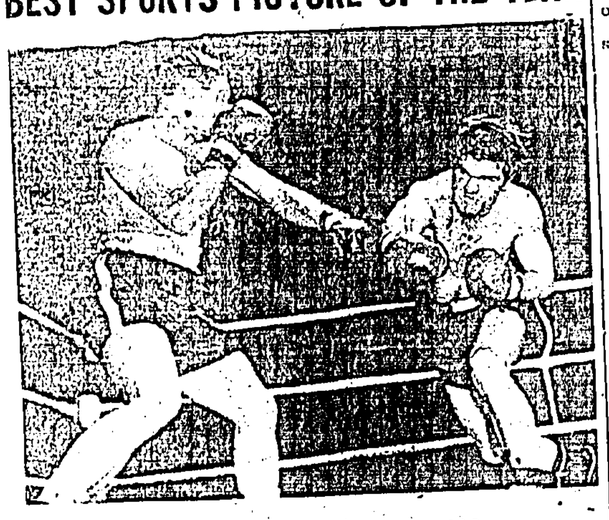

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WHY SHOULDN'T WE ALL LIVE TO BE 100?

By JOHN RALPH

Medical science is now working on the most important and perhaps the ultimate problem in its history.

It is the problem of why the human body grows old and wears out, why the body degenerates with the passing of years.

The new science is called gerontology. In time to come it will certainly be of prime importance in medical research all over the world; governments and their exchequers will give it generous backing.

But meanwhile the youngest of the sciences has the humblest beginnings in this country. A basement room converted into a laboratory in the Department of Physiology at Oxford University . . . twelve hundred pounds a year from Lord Nuffield . . . and nothing, not a penny, from official sources.

In A Cellar

It is in these circumstances that silver-haired Dr. V. Korenchevsky has undertaken his tremendous task. Three young women are his only assistants.

In nearby cellars, their walls newly enamelled, the atmosphere carefully heated and cleansed, are the Korenchevsky rats, tame and sleek in their comfortable cages.

The rats are important. From them, some day, will come the answer to the dreams of the gerontologists and old age as we know it, feeble and decrepit, will have gone for ever.

Automatically life expectation—it is now 70-75—will have lengthened. By the year 2000 even without any sensational discoveries, an expectation of 80 to 90 years is not unreasonable.

Already the Cornell rats, the rats of Dr. Clive McCay, of Cornell laboratories, Ithaca, New York, are living to an equivalent human life-span of 140 years and even more.

McCay is working on a diet system. Korenchevsky is using hormones. Their object is the same—that of all gerontologists—to find the answer to the degenerate diseases of old age and stave off senility.

Disputes

The degenerative diseases are known as the secondary causes of ageing. The primary causes are not known although hereditary factors are the basis of one theory.

The primary causes are even disputed. Some first-class scientists, says Korenchevsky, suggest that once the degenerative diseases are overcome there is no reason why the cells of the human body should not continue their existence indefinitely unless there are some primary causes of ageing.

Korenchevsky does not consider this as a serious possibility.

But he says there is no reason why man should not live to be a hundred, or even longer, and remain active mentally and physically, even his teeth intact and his hair ungreying.

Old age today is regarded by Korenchevsky as a disease rather than a normal physiological process. Look into any home for old people, he says, and you will find there not old age but the results of senile degenerative diseases.

These are well known. Failing sight and hearing, kidney trouble, heart failure, digestive troubles are some of them.

To blame such conditions on old age, says Korenchevsky, is to put the cart before the horse. The fact is that the degenerative diseases have caused the years to bring with them the infirmities.

Old age, then, as we know it, is to the genontologist abnormal. It is diseased.

No Dotage

There are six main degenerative diseases which are common both to rats and humans, arterio-sclerosis, heart disease, diabetes, cancer, nephritis, hypertension.

When the answers have been found to this degeneration much will have been done towards finding the means of prevention, (rather than the cure) of abnormal old age. And, automatically, human life will be considerably extended. It will be a thoroughly healthy and active life almost to the last.

Korenchevsky is often asked by laymen why anyone should want to live to be a hundred, or a hundred and forty.

His answer: "It is not my idea, or the idea of any gerontologist, to extend life into hairless, toothless, dyspeptic and miserable and useless years.

"Without the diseases of degeneration there is no reason why we should not live to be centenarians, or longer, perhaps, and remain active physically and mentally with all our faculties. A man of seventy, for example, ought, to be comparatively young.

It was a Frenchman, Brown-Sequard, who in 1880 began research and experiments in rejuvenation and prolonging life. He injected guinea-pigs with emulsion of certain glands.

Then, in the twenties, Voronoff, famous for his experiments with monkey glands, had some successes by implanting glands from monkeys into human bodies by means of surgical operation.

Some experiments had remarkable but temporary success, effects lasting from a matter of months to several years.

The Voronoff idea was to replace glands worn by age and disease. The Korenchevsky research is based on treating age-worn organs of his rats with hormones.

Results so far have been encouraging — and disappointing. Encouraging because Korenchevsky has proved that the hormone injections can definitely stop some of the processes of ageing.

Disappointing because at the same time some organs have been over-stimulated and consequently harmful changes develop in those organs.

Perhaps better results can be obtained by applying several anti-ageing factors simultaneously so that metabolism (the process by which body cells are being constantly kept alive) is not unbalanced.

Meanwhile Dr. McCay's rats at Cornell University are thriving on a diet which is low in fats and starch but moderately high in such foods as meats, with preferences for liver, kidneys and hearts in that order. Bulk is maintained by wholegrain breads.

Over-eating

The Cornell rats on this diet, given in limited quantities have remained thin, but active and happy. Other rats, fed liberally on rich foods, grew fat and were less active and less amiable.

In one period of 900 days, a fair life for a rat, 70 per cent of the fat rats died as compared with only 20 per cent of the thin rats.

With men, too, it is generally true that the thin outlive the fat.

Korenchevsky does not believe that the answer is to be found in dieting alone. The ideal diet is unknown, he says. It is not only over-eating but deficient eating that burdens the functions of the body.

But alongside the question of diet are others; of exercise, rest, fresh air and nerve stresses of modern life. Science in the future may be able to provide an exact guide not only on what are the right things to eat and drink but how a man should live his life.

In the perfectly healthy body, it is argued, the processes of ageing should be very gradual.

Rejuvenated

On physiologist, Professor Pearl, has said that individual cells and tissues of the body, in and by themselves, are potentially immortal.

On this thesis Korenchevsky tells of a remarkable experiment in Rockefeller Institute. A dog 18 years old could scarcely get to its feet. Its coat was coming out. It was almost blind.

Nearly two-thirds of its blood was removed, the red cells centrifuged, washed and mixed with a special solution and re-injected. This was later repeated.

The dog not only lived but completely recovered and became fully active.

The experiment, says Korenchevsky, although it could not be considered for human research, is of great significance.

Of great, significance, to, are McCay's thin rats which live robustly to man's equivalent of 140 years; Korenchevsky's rats, some of whose ageing processes have been stopped; but most significant of all is the determined research which is beginning not only in this country and America but on the Continent of Europe and in other parts of the world.

Final Goal

Korenchevsky himself toured Europe and visited the United States to bring about this international co-operation and redoubled activity in gerontology.

The United States Government has already recognised the importance of research in gerontology and is allotting 600,000 dollars a year for research.

Korenchevsky, who receives no salary for his work in the basement laboratory, whose £1,200 a year grant goes in wages for his assistants and research expense, expects rapid progress and sees great prospects in the co-operation of international science.

"You remember," he said, "how scientists everywhere were working individually on splitting the atom. It would have taken them years and years to reach success.

"But they got together. In a comparatively short time an atomic bomb was made, a war was ended and atomic energy brought to the service of man.

"Now the same thing is happening in gerontology. We are trying to discover how to live longer and live in good health all the time.

"And some day, for certain, we are going to find out."

Golden Memory

By R.J. MARTIN

The Royal Mint is to strike immediately 100,000 sovereigns in order to preserve the craftsmanship of gold coining.

This decision has certain unusual features that make a complete break with tradition.

The cost of the coins will be more than double their face value as the actual gold in a sovereign is today worth £2 0s. 6d.

This, however, makes no practical difference, for the new coin will continue to be held in the gold reserves.

The accounts of the Bank of England show its gold holding at the market value of the bullion and not at its face value as coin.

More remarkable is the decision that the sovereigns will not be dated 1949, but will be struck from existing dies.

None but the middle-aged can remember gold as currency. During the first world war the use of gold was discouraged, but never forbidden.

Sovereigns were struck for general circulation until 1917. In 1925 the Royal Mint struck £3,500,000 in sovereigns to replace worn coin in the Bank of England, and they are to use these 1925 dies for the coming mintings.

The sovereigns will therefore bear the head of King George V, and there seems to be no precedent for reverting to a coinage of a previous monarch.

No Waiting

There are, of course, many examples of the coinage of one king being continued into the reign of his successor. This is often essential, as pressing demands for currency cannot always wait until a new coinage has been designed and executed.

The most notable example of this occurred in the present reign. Until the new coins of King George VI were issued in the spring of 1937 the Royal Mint continued to strike those bearing the head of King George V, and were consistent, if inaccurate, in dating them 1936.

Indeed, the dates on coins are no sure indication of the year they were struck. As coinage goes, the dating of coin is a comparatively new feature.

The Roaring Forties

By GUY RAMSEY

"Too old at 40" was a war cry when I was a boy, just before World War I. broke out, and ever since then the emphasis has been on Youth—Golden, Glorious Youth.

Forget the giants of intellect and fortitude: Shaw writing plays at 90-plus; Maugham, the supreme novelist, nearing 80; Churchill fighting and winning the war at 70-odd. Consider the merely physical:

In the past few days Mr. Jack Holden, at the age of 42 ("Too old, old man"), waltzed in ahead of a field of his juniors when he emulated the great run of Pheidippides from Marathon to Athens. Mr. Holden, for the second year running—both of them after his 40th birthday—covered 26½ miles from Windsor to Chiswick at a withering pace of over six m.p.h.

TT Rider Taft

Consider, too, the case of Mr. "Pop" Taft, father of nine children, who, mounted on a 2½-h.p. motor-cycle as if he were a gay young spark of 16, covered the Isle of Man course in the Clubman's Lightweight event at upwards of 51 m.p.h.

Granted that Holden is no sprinter—no veteran can burst his heart and lungs with success in the 100 yards, the half-mile or (worst race of them all) the 440—and that Taft was carried the physical strain of either ordeal is still considerable.

Cricketer Hobbs

Jack Hobbs played cricket for England in his late 40's and for Surrey in his 50's; Wilfred Rhodes was summoned back to the Test match field when he was 49 and—on a wicket that suited him—took wickets for a ludicrous analysis (3 for 11 in one innings, if my memory serves). Both men gave nothing away in the field at their ripe ages.

And though Frank Woolley, topping his half-century, was far from the supreme slip fielder he was in his youth, his batsmanship was still the effortless, poetic thing of beauty that made cricket look not only easy but enchanted.

It is perfectly true that Mr. Mulloy, of America, frankly confessed he "couldn't give away those darned seven years" that divide his 35 from his compatriot Ted Schroeder's 28. But modern lawn tennis requires speed, endurance (especially in the last two sets of a five-set match), and, above all, rapidity of ocular accommodation; in other words, you have to have a fast eye to do any good.

In fact, one young expert in table-tennis announced flatly that, for his sport, one was too old at 26.

Nevertheless, visitors to the Riviera used to be familiar with a tall, dark-spectacled, effective figure on the tennis courts who, playing under the name of "Mr. Gustafson," spent his leisure hours in governing Sweden; and King Gustav, who is now 91, was then more than 80—and was an extremely tough nut to crack.

And Borotra, the Basque, at 50, bounded with sufficient agility to beat Britain's G. L. Paish in the Covered Courts Championship last October.

And turn your eyes to the ballet, surely one of the most strenuous of activities. Leonide Massine, that dynamic dancer whose supreme ballet is the scherzo of "The Three-Cornered Hat" rather than the andante of "Les Sylphides," has just celebrated his 54th birthday; but none would know it from the furious spirit of his tap, the demoniac energy of his pirouette.

As for racing—well, Gordon Richards is 45 and still (except in the Derby) riding winners; his predecessor Steve Donoghue was winning in his 50's; and Michael Beary, who keeps his age the darkest of horses in every work of reference, admits his first ride was in 1913.

Ace Pilot Dixon

There's another form of activity that strains every nerve, both physical and mental: the job of test-piloting—taking up an aircraft to fling it about the sky and try, if you can, to break it by subjecting it (as well as yourself) to every stress to which construction can be submitted. Fairey's Foster Dixon was 37, Miles's Ken Waller two years older.

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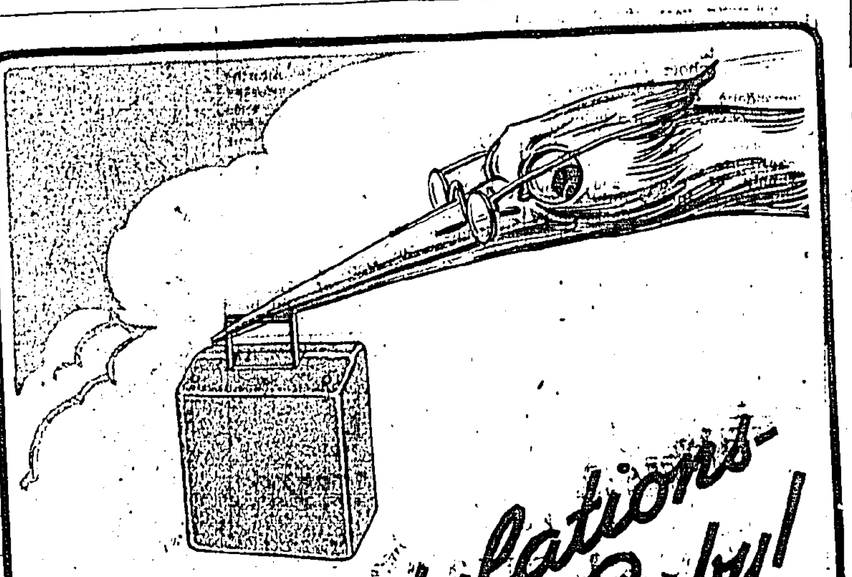

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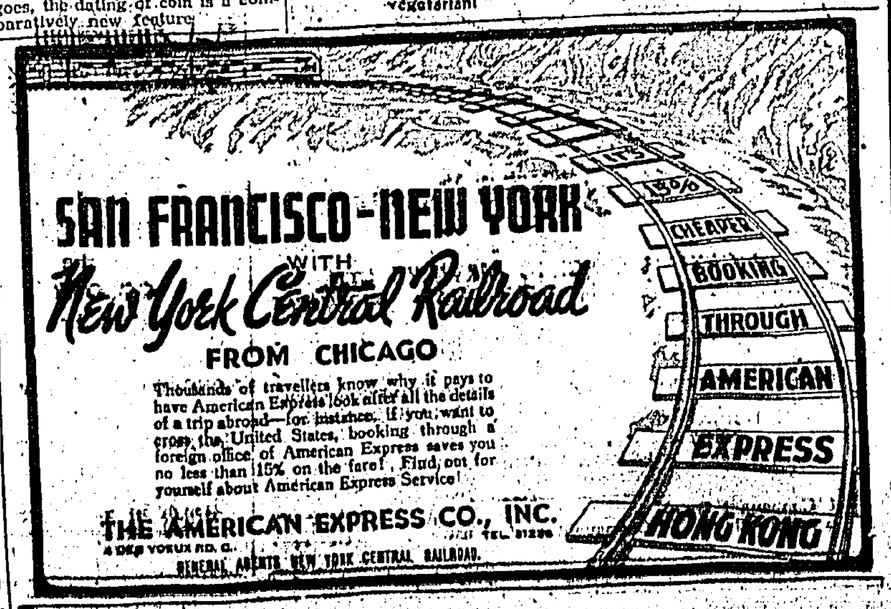

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JAPANESE OPPOSE A NEUTRALITY COURSE

Tokyo, July 9.

General Douglas MacArthur speaks of Japan becoming the "Switzerland of the Pacific," but a great many Japanese still aren't convinced the idea will work.

Most Japanese agree that it would be nice for Japan to remain neutral and to keep out of future wars, but they can't bring themselves to believe that belligerent nations would just let Japan sit here.

In the first place, the Japanese feel Japan is too important to try to maintain such a neutral role. They think too many other nations would like to move in and take over their industrial machine which is the best in the Far East.

In the second place, quite a few Japanese would like to have the opportunity of joining up with a winning team and quickly rejoining one or the other camps in the various families of nations.

They see the East-West cold war and consider that they will eventually have to take sides. Acting as allies of the victors would make the world forget a lot of recent Japanese history.

Question Debated

The question of "alliance or neutrality?" is a hot one here these days. It is debated in the newspapers, in trams and in the newly re-opened beer halls.

Even in the halls of the National Diet, representatives of the people fire pointed questions at the Premier on the subject and demand a clarification of the Government's position.

Today, of course, the Government's position doesn't matter. Japan is occupied and the Government has no foreign relations policy. Today Japan has no control over her foreign policy and is permitted no direct contact with other governments.

But the question is a big one and will eventually have to be solved.

The Premier, Shigeru Yoshida's, opinion is that perpetual neutrality is extremely difficult, if not impossible, for any nation to maintain. His expressed views indicate he believes that Japan will need alliances in the future—especially alliances to protect this nation, which is disarmed and which is pledged to live without an army or navy.

Others For Neutrality

On the other hand, there are factions here which believe Japan should avoid any entangling alliances and must observe perpetual and strict neutrality at whatever the cost.

Japan's old veteran statesman Kijuro Shidehara, a former Premier, is one of the leaders of this group. He believes alignment with any nation, group or international group, such as nations in a Pacific pact, would be bound to invite the enmity of rivals or rival groups and would afford a pretext for attacks on Japan.

Few Japanese have the courage to speak in the open against the idea of neutrality advocated by General MacArthur. But the debates are going on in all walks of life as the Japanese attempt to formulate a plan for their national life in the future.—United Press.

Priority For War Against Submarines

Washington, July 8.

The United States Navy is giving anti-submarine warfare high priority, according to a report made public today of the testimony before a Senate Committee.

Admiral Louis Denfeld, Chief of Naval Operations, told Senators that anti-submarine warfare "is one of our major missions." One Senator asked about reports that "a certain nation has much advanced submarines and that it is a matter in which we are somewhat behind."

Admiral Denfeld disputed this, but added: "We have not yet obtained the complete answer to the new type of submarine."—Reuter.

TRUMAN WINS A VICTORY

Washington, July 8.

Congress gave President Truman the first major victory of his "Fair Deal" programme today. Both Houses of Congress approved a multi-million dollar housing Bill.

The measure provides for a vast slum clearance scheme. It provides for the public building of 810,000 housing units.—Reuter.

Stennes Back In Germany

Frankfurt, July 8.

Walter Stennes, Hitler's former Storm Troop leader in Berlin and one time Chief of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's bodyguard, reached Frankfurt from Shanghai via Italy today.

One day before the Communists took Shanghai, Stennes was evacuated to Formosa by a U.S. Army plane, he said.

Commenting on the situation in China Stennes said, in an exclusive interview, that the Communist armies are organised in all details along the pattern of the Kaiser's army of World War I.

Stennes was a captain on the General Staff of the German Imperial Army during World War I.

He said that the Communist armies are sparsely motorised. Most of the troops have to march.

What remains of Chiang Kai-shek's armies is still excellently equipped but their spirit and desire to fight is broken.

"Unless a miracle happens, all Asia will be dominated by Communism within two years," Stennes declared.—Associated Press.

Building Workers On Strike

Rome, July 8.

All Italian building workers—about 200,000 of them—struck work for 24 hours today in protest against what they termed obstruction by their employers in current wage negotiations.

The Communist-led General Confederation of Labour said that the walk-out only the start of increased agitation to win wage increases.

Next Tuesday, all Italian metal workers will stage a similar strike, it said.

Sulphur mine workers in Sicily ended a six-week strike today when the management promised them increased welfare facilities—and pay for the time they were striking.

According to the Confederation the builders will strike two hours every day from tomorrow until their claims are met. They might even stage a full time strike if these tactics are not successful, it added.—Reuter.

ITALY'S SURFEIT OF STERLING

Rome, July 8.

Italy's surfeit of Sterling was discussed by her Cabinet here today.

The Finance Minister, M. Giuseppe Pella, and the Minister of Foreign Trade, Mr. Battista Bertone, reported on current Anglo-Italian trade talks in London. The official communique did not state if any decisions were taken.—Reuter.

Yugoslavia Keeping Clear Of Alliances

Belgrade, July 8.

The Yugoslav people today had the promise of an elder statesman of the Yugoslav Communist Party that their country would not be swallowed up by either Russia or the United States, which he compared with sharks.

Moshe Pijade, one of the most powerful men in the regime of Marshal Tito, spoke at a mass meeting yesterday, and the text of his speech occupied the first two pages of all Belgrade newspapers today.

He warned the people to beware of trusting the Soviet Union and said Yugoslavia would not become a Soviet colony or administrative unit.

"During the last year our people learned a lot. They learned that under the guise of socialistic internationalism, the most selfish interest of the great powers toward little states can be hidden."

He said: "The Cominform resolution ousting Yugoslavia was only a mask to hide the real aim of the changed Soviet foreign policy line. The past year of slanders, organised border incidents, broken trade agreements and infiltration with the purpose of overthrowing the Yugoslav regime, Mr. Pijade said, was merely part of a persistent attempt to create such political and economic conditions as to push us by all means into the claws of the imperialists.

"The Cominform anticipated that we would lose our independence and become an imperialist colony within a few months. We replied that our freedom and independence and our country would become neither somebody's colony nor a Soviet-administrative unit.

"Their anticipation seems in effect to be that small people should jump into the mouth of of a shark to avoid being swallowed by another shark. But there is no justification for the reasoning that small people must jump into the mouth of one or another shark.

Charges Denied

"Those prophets took the wrong supposition that the world is divided between America and the Soviet Union. They prophesied that the rule of capitalists would return and that we would not succeed in building Socialism."

Yugoslavia denied and denounced today as a tremendous slander charges that it has permitted use of its territory by troops of the Greek Royal Government to overcome Greek opposition forces.

Belgrade radio indignantly broadcast a report quoting the "Free Greece" radio as saying an agreement for such use of Yugoslav territory has been reached at a secret conference among "Monarcho-Fascists English, American and Yugoslav officers".

It marked the first time that Yugoslavia, through its official channels, has taken the Greek opposition forces to task. Frequently on previous occasions the Yugoslav press and radio has blasted away at the Athens Government.

Grave Plight

The "Free Greece" report said the incident occurred on Kaimachalan Mountain on the Yugoslav border where Athens Government forces have apparently caught a large number of enemy troops in a pocket surrounded on both flanks by water.

Belgrade radio said that during recent days a number of wounded Greek opposition troops have fled across the border into Yugoslavia where they have received first aid by Yugoslav citizens "in the spirit of the Red Cross".

"This fact shows how great this slander is", Belgrade radio said.

Although the radio did not say so, it also offered a considerable amount of evidence on how grave the plight of the Greek opposition forces now is.—United Press and Associated Press.

Atomic Bomb Development Big Success

Washington, July 8.

An atomic expert said today that the Atomic Energy Commission has made a superb success of the atomic bomb development and enormous strides toward harnessing nuclear forces for industrial use.

Dr. Lee DuBridge, President of the California Institute of Technology, defended the Commission and its chairman, David Lilienthal, against the charges by Senator Bourke Hickenlooper that they were guilty of incredible mismanagement.—United Press.

SKELETON OF RARE PLACODUS

Frankfurt, July 8.

The bones of a 200,000,000 year-old animal—the only one of its kind in the world—have just been put together in Frankfurt's famous Senckenberg Museum.

This is the second time that the pre-historic skeleton's pieces have had to be assembled. The first was when it was discovered in 1915.

Workers had just finished cutting a pile of cobblestones in a quarry near Heidelberg, when a German newspaperman named Koenig discovered that each cobblestone contained a piece of the skeleton of a pre-historic animal.

It was ascertained to be the four-footed shellfish - eating aquatic called a Placodus which scientists had been searching for.

Koenig collected the cobblestones and two years later scientists finished the job of removing the bones. Then the animal, about six feet long, was put together and placed on exhibition.

When World War II broke out, the Senckenberg Museum hastily took apart all its pre-historic skeletons and packed the pieces in boxes.

In the tedious task of re-assembly, the Placodus is one of the first to be restored.

The Senckenberg Museum also houses several million rare snails, 80,000 stuffed birds, and hosts of insects, including 30,000 dragon flies.—Associated Press.

Princess Looking For Job

Long Beach, July 8.

Princess Catherine of Hungary settled down as plain American Catherine Booskay today and began looking for job.

The 37-year-old noblewoman and her daughters, Sarolta, nine, and Ildiko, seven arrived here last night. In contrast to their former Hungarian castle they are staying at a cottage of the real estate agent, Joseph Hall. He was an Army intelligence officer who met the Royal family in the Russian zone of Germany in 1945 and urged them to seek American citizenship.

"It is wonderful feeling, the freedom of America," the willowy brunette Princess declared. "We even can go from one city to another without registering. Fear has almost left our hearts."

And while the mother began looking for work to support her children, the two little princesses showed they are fast becoming Americanised.

"Hamburgers for me," said Princess Sarolta. Little Ildiko found Bubble gum more intriguing. She said; "I can make it pop like firecrackers."—United Press.

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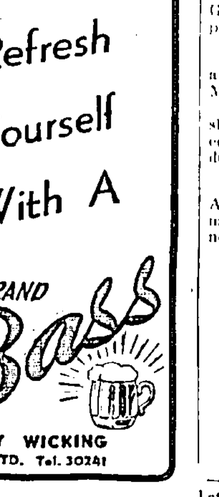

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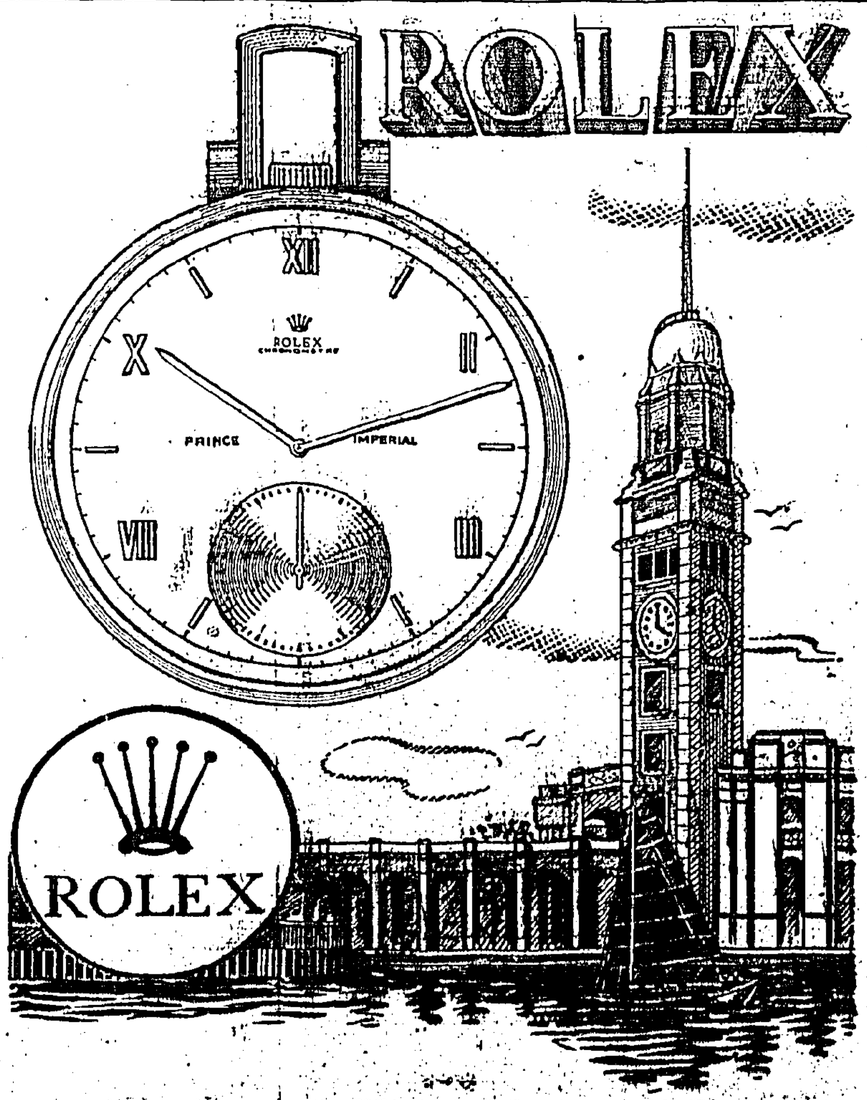

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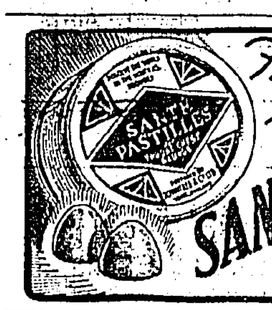

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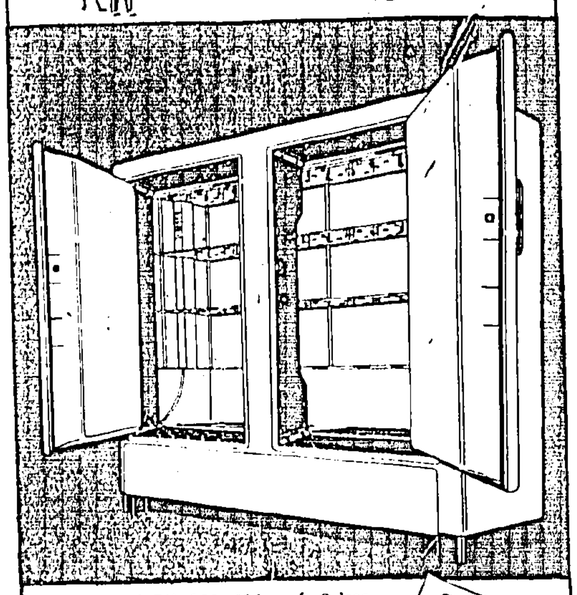

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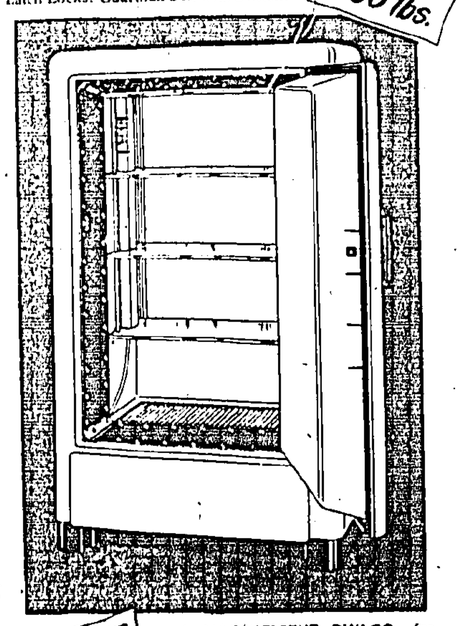

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A Pension Is The Pay-Off

By JOHN HALL

Soon some 200,000 young people will collect their last school prizes. And immediately large numbers of them will start looking for a different sort of prize—a "safe" job with a pension at the end of it.

Britain is fast becoming a pension-minded nation. What was a pre-war trend has turned into a post-war gallop.

Job-hunters are now seeking retirement pensions high above the 26s. a week national pension which the new Welfare State provides for every man at 65. Prizes sought after these days are retiring pensions in the £5-, £10-a-week (and over) class.

Taking in Civil Servants, council employees, teachers, nurses, police, Service Regulars, bank clerks, and people employed by large and small firms which operate private superannuation schemes, it is estimated that there are now nearly 4,000,000 people in jobs which promise them good pensions additional to the State pension, when they reach their 60's.

Since the war more than 2,000 industrial and commercial firms have started new schemes covering thousands of workers, and now the nation's 723,000 coalminers are pressing for a pension scheme to cover their retirement.

Eyes Dazzled

These are some of the pension prizes that dazzle the eyes of boys and their parents today:

Civil Service: Joining between the ages of 16-18, the average clerk works up to between £9 and £13 a week by the time he reaches retiring age, which is 60 (at the moment, because of shortages some Civil Servants are being encouraged to stay on until they are 65), and then, after 42 to 44 years' service, he is entitled to a pension of approximately half his retiring salary—£4 10s. to £7 a week.

The Army: In the ranks, service of 22 years entitles a man to a pension. If a boy joins up at 18, and becomes a sergeant, he can retire at 40 with a pension of 34s a week, or continue until he is 50 and then have a pension of up to £4 a week.

The officer who joins at 18 and attains the rank of Captain, is entitled to retire at 38 with a pension of £7 4s. a week. If he becomes a Major he can retire at 40 with £9 3s. a week; if he rises to Lieut-Colonel the retiring age is 42, and the pension £14 a week.

Two-Third Pay

Police: After 25 years a policeman can retire on half pay, after 30 years on two-thirds pay, which means that the recruit who joins the force at 20 and stays a constable will be able (with the new police rates of pay) to retire when he is 45 with a pension of £4 to £5 a week, or go on until he is 50 for a £6-to-£7-a-week pension.

Banking: Entering at 16-18 most bank clerks qualify for pensions when they are 60. Average bank clerk of 60 earns between £12 and £14 a week, and since he retires at two-thirds salary (increased now by a 7½ per cent cost-of-living grant) his pension ranges between £8 12s. and £10 a week.

Superannuation schemes run by private firms mostly provide for retirement at 60 or 65, and the pensions vary between one-third and two-thirds of the man's retiring wage or salary.

National Cost

All these are, of course, additional to the new 26s.-a-week-at-65 State pensions which we all help to pay.

There are now 4,600,000 people drawing State pensions under the new plan at a cost of £268,000,000 a year, and at the rate at which the numbers of old people are increasing it is estimated that by 1968—when the boy of today will be 35 or 36—the cost of the 26s.-a-week-for-all pensions will risen to £439,000,000.

In addition, the taxpayer has to foot a pensions bill for £95,000,000 a year covering a wide range of people—retired judges, war pensioners widows, and even ex-members of the Royal Irish Constabulary, which was disbanded back in 1922.

Mounting Bill

Measuring those mounting pension bills against the fact that every person who retires has, in effect, to be supported by someone who is working, actuary experts ponder how a boy now leaving school will be able carry the pension burden that looks like being on his back by the time he is 30.

The problem is giving them serious thought. This is what they say: "Naturally there must be a limit to the weight of retired persons—pensioners and people with private incomes—any nation can carry, and we must be racing towards that limit.

Output Solution

"With State pensions of one sort and another now running at the rate of £263,000,000 a year, which is a heavy load on taxpayers, and the cost of supporting the retired people who have private incomes or who belong to private pension schemes, there is already a colossal load on people who are working.

"What happens in the future will depend upon how much each worker's individual productivity increases. If that rockets in the second half of the century as it did in the first half, there won't be a problem. If that does not happen and this rush for pensions in the £5-£10-a-week class goes on the entire pension picture will change."

Value Slumped

The experts say that a foreseeable change is that the general retiring age may have to be raised to, say, 70. Or that the purchasing value of pensions will fall.

"Most people have seen that happen. People who retired pre-war on pensions or incomes which enabled them to live fairly comfortably have been hit so hard by taxation and soaring living costs that the real value of their incomes has slumped enormously. If the burden of pensions became too heavy that would happen with even greater force."

What no one expects is that there is going to be any sudden change in the attitude of thousands of parents. They will go on urging Johnny Bull to go for a "safe" job—with a pension.

U.S. "Trouble Shooters" Have Plenty To Do

By RODNEY CAMPBELL

In these days of falling sales and intense competition, American businessmen are faced more than ever before with the problem of streamlining their organisations and reducing operating costs without resorting to large scale lay-offs, and consequent dislocation of their plants.

The word "slump" is still far too strong an epithet for the state of affairs in America today, and the recent report in a London newspaper of a United States national decline can be written off as a scare—but business circles are now admitting that the spring and early summer revival they had hoped for is simply not taking place.

Everyone knew that there would have to be a buyers' market sooner or later. But now that it has come, businessmen are becoming more and more anxious every day. Big stores are cutting their inventories. Small shops (like my ever-cheerful local grocer in Greenwich Village) are being beaten out of business by the falling prices. Orders for steel and in particular for machine tools, are falling off, giving promise of even harder days when summer ends.

Manufacturers are hoping and praying for Government orders and ECA contracts, and they are calling in teams of personnel consultants, management consultants, lawyers, scientists and all breeds of ideas men to teach them how to cut costs.

"Trouble-Shooters"

Americans call these firms and their forceful representatives "trouble-shooters" and it is one of the few types of business that is booming in the United States today.

So I spent an hour or so in the 19th floor office of one of these consultants this week. I did not expect a statement of their methods—that would have cost a month's dollar allocation, and more—but the picture was interesting.

Manhattan through the wide windows. Central Park to the East River, in the bright sunlight. Same windows tightly closed. Air conditioning. Muffled footsteps, hushed voices, doubtless indicating reliability, dignity.

Charts indicating the extent, but not the detail, of the operations of the consultants. War map of New York City, pins representing employees' homes and present locations. Printed, framed "Principles of Good Management" panelling the walls.

As the best hope of fighting the decline in America, this didn't look at all bad.

Unfortunately, the Vice-President in charge of sales and promotion streamlining was out of town.

Plenty Of It

"Trouble-schooting, I guess," said the personnel representative. "And there's plenty of trouble. But take my field for example. Its typical of the country, typical of the business trend.

"Top management is emphasising cost reduction in personnel. Cutting down the frills, chopping out the dead wood. Some executives say quite plainly they want those items eliminated, that they're sorry, but they can't afford them.

"Many more say the high-cost recruitment and training schemes inaugurated during the post-war period, you know, the boom, must now be justified—costwise.

"And we are showing them systematically how really crackerjack employment interviewing, training and psychological placement will save them far more money in the long run than lay-offs."

On a larger, though not so immediate a scale, the New York Personnel Management Association will soon begin a survey of its 300 member companies to determine how each one regulates six phases of personnel administration—executive and rank-and-file employee, training, merit rating, collective bargaining, interviewing and placement, psychological tests, and job wage evaluation and analysis.

Once they have completed the survey, the association will point out to each member how it can save money without firing well-tried staffs.

Not Luxuries

At the level of the individual firm (albeit a large one) listen to Mr. L. R. Boulware, Vice-President in charge of employee relations at General Electric . . . .

"Good training and other personnel programmes are not luxuries. They are necessities at all times, especially when employers and employees have to buckle down together in markets like the present one, to work more creatively and productively in the common interest to attract customers with better goods at prices representing better values."

So, despite the sad rising graph of American unemployment, with the shadow it is already throwing across the British scene, it is encouraging to note that there are no signs of a 1929 economic panic in this admittedly volatile country.

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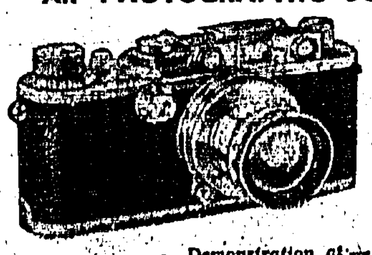

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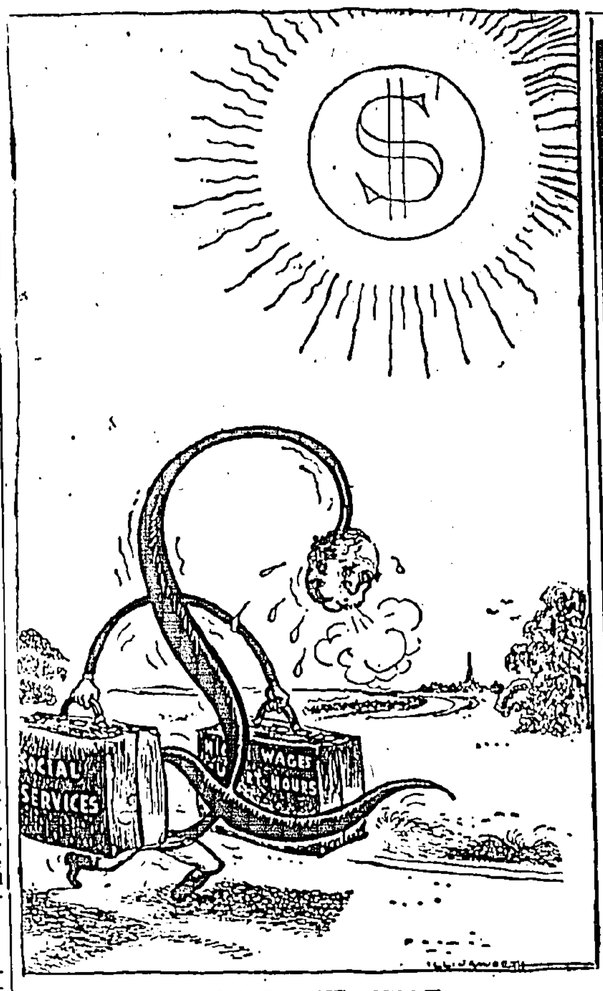

FEELING THE HEAT

AUSTERITY IS ON THE WAY TO "BOOM TOWN"

By AMOS GORDON

Israel has turned in the course of its first year of independence into a land of contrasts.

Although it enjoys peace it is still on a war footing. Luxury and poverty, idealism and opportunism go hand in hand.

With thousands of new immigrants pouring in to find their future it looks now like an overgrown boom town.

Walking through the main streets one can see bedinmonded women wearing colourful hats sprouting long plumes parading the latest Paris fashions. They sip coffee leisurely on terraced cafes.

Below them in the street walk the new arrivals, shabbily dressed, wearing anything from the technicolored flowing Yemenite dresses to the latest American-cut zoot suits.

Smart, high-powered 1949 American cars are parked by the score in front of Government offices at Hakirya (Israel's Whitehall), while long queues form at bus stops because of shortage of public vehicles.

Buses are outdated, war-worn, and overcrowded. They heave, puff and pull under the overload of people they carry, with the ever-present "extras" precariously clinging to the open doors.

Expensive Meals

Israel is today the most expensive country in the world to live in. Inflation has driven prices skyhigh.

Eggs, butter, margarine, meat, milk, and sugar are strictly rationed and bread is subsidised; yet you will find whipped cream cakes, white flour pastries and fancy sweets in the shops.

You may buy a Utility suit for £24, but to have one made to measure you will have to pay £40 to £50.

The minimum taxi fare is six shillings, but you will consider yourself lucky if you get away with eight.

The maximum price of a standard meal in most fashionable restaurants is 17s., but the other day I ordered an ordinary 2s. 6d. worth of steak and was charged the price of a meal.

To lease a flat you have to pay "key money" ranging anything between £1,000—£3,000 above the monthly rent.

Controls On Way

In the last year 200,000 new immigrants have entered the country. Sixty thousand are still living in abandoned British army camps.

Every boat and plane swells the already overcrowded camps, and many of the new immigrants have to live under canvas. They keep on coming from the four corners of the globe.

The Government had two courses open to it: the first, to put a temporary stop to immigration; the second, to introduce measures to break the vicious circle of rising prices and wages, and to undertake a vast building programme and State planning.

"We are determined to take the second course," said the Premier, David Ben Gurion. "We shall not halt immigration; it is the duty of Israel to admit, settle and rehabilitate the newcomers."

Soon austerity will clamp down on the country. There will be no more nylons. Paris knick-knacks will disappear from shop windows. Clothes and shoes will be rationed. The import and manufacture of luxury goods will be forbidden. Transport will be controlled.

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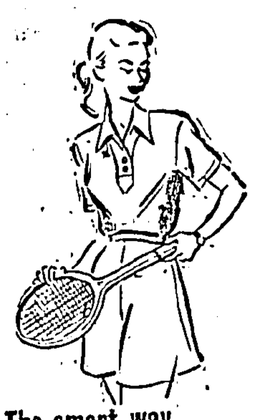

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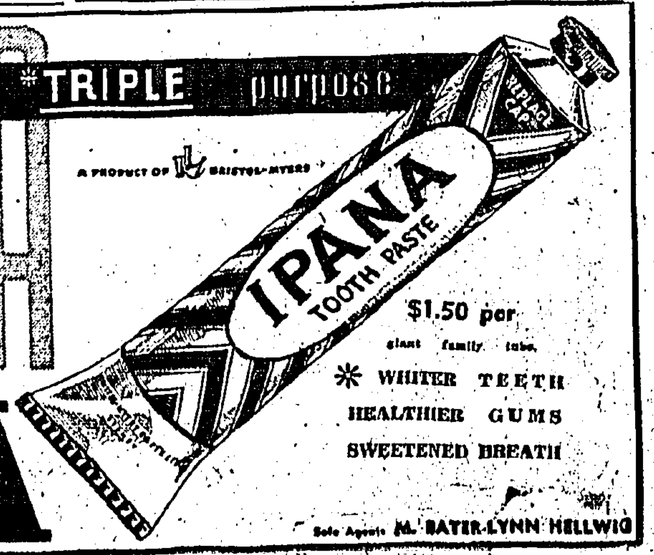

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ARMED RESISTANCE TO RUMANIAN REDS

Vienna, July 9.

Armed resistance in the mountainous areas of Rumania by organised anti-Communist bands has now reached a scale at which it is causing serious concern to the Rumanian Government.

Reliable reports reaching Austria today reveal this state.

Whole formations of regular Rumanian troops are thought recently to have been thrown into action in an effort to wipe out the rebels.

Indications are that the Government offensive, which was begun in the spring, has been only partially successful.

The first admission that large-scale underground resistance exist in Rumania was contained in a communique issued last night in Bucharest.

It stated that some of the leaders of a "subversive terrorist organisation" had been captured and would be brought to trial today in Timisoara (Temesvar), Western Rumania.

Army Deserters

One of the principal centres of resistance is reported to be the area of Mount Gogul and Mount Mic, 60 miles South East of Timisoara.

Rumanian troops have been in action in this area in the past few weeks. The "terrorist ring-leaders" now on trial were probably captured in this fighting.

Little is known about the composition of these resistance groups.

They certainly contain some Army deserters and general malcontents, but the leaders are thought to be political opponents of the regime.

Ex-landlords In Revolt

The bands have been swelled in recent months by volunteers from the ranks of Rumania's dispossessed landowners and "kulaks" (rich peasants).

In January the Government tried to subdue unrest in the countryside by the establishment of martial law and the increased employment of militia.

The regular Army, on which the Government is now calling, has 10 divisions.

There are thought to be three or four Russian divisions still in Rumania who could be called on for help.

BRITISH PURCHASES IN RUSSIA

London, July 8.

Dollar-short Britain has secretly agreed to buy nearly 1,000,000 tons of coarse grains from Rusia in the next year, official sources disclosed today.

They added that the grain agreement was initialled in private in Moscow last week—a few days before Britain's economic planners announced a three-month standstill on dollar spending.

Talks for a one-year Anglo-Russian trade pact have been going on for some time. The grain deal will form part of that year-long pact. Negotiations for a longer term Anglo-Soviet trade agreement are expected to follow.

Russia is to supply a big quantity of wheat over and about the course grain, the informants said. They declined to say how much.

In Washington, the Senate Republican leader, Kenneth Wherry, said that Britain's secret trade agreement with Russia is contrary to the spirit of the ECA and a direct violation of the North Atlantic Pact.

Senator Wherry said the British could send the United States strategic materials such as fissionable materials for atom bombs in exchange for American grains.

Board of Trade officials in London say no agreement has been reached.

It is understood in London that, Britain is seeking large quantities of Russian grain in return for manufacturered goods.—United Press.

SYRIAN PARTY HEAD EXECUTED

Beirut, Lebanon, July 9.

Anton Saadeh, President of the outlawed Syrian National Party, was executed by a firing squad this morning, after being sentenced last night in a secret court martial.

Saadeh was arrested early yesterday as Syrian and Lebanese troops intensified their drive to stamp out guerillas of the National Party who have terrorised outlying areas for more than a month.

The party has been accused of attempting to incite revolt against both the Syrian and Lebanese governments. Its ultimate aim was said to be a "greater Syria" under Saadeh's leadership, incorporating Lebanon, Syria, Transjordan and Arab Palestine.—Associated Press.

GREEK SEAMEN ARRESTED

Athens, July 9.

M. Constantin Rendis, Greek Minister of Public Order, said today that 15 members of the Greek Seamen's Union, had been arrested in Amsterdam, after they had tried to seize the Liberty ship Kreto at gun-point in mid-Atlantic.

The seamen boarded the ship in New York as stowaways and attempted to divert her to Archangel, the Minister said.

Greek police were sent to Amsterdam.

About 15 Greek sailors were arrested at Marseilles and Le Bourget airport, in France, last week when they were about to leave to join the rebel forces in Greece.—Reuter.

DOOMED MP'S MAY GET OFF

Paris, July 8.

The President of the Republic, M. Vincent Auriol, will commute the sentences of death or imprisonment passed last October on five Madagascar members of the French Parliament for leading a revolt and upheld yesterday by the Court of Appeal, usually well-informed Parliamentary sources believe.

The National Assembly this afternoon debated a proposed law on Parliamentary immunity, which was a sequel to the Appeal Court's decision, though it made no specific reference to the Madagascar case.

Two deputies, M. Joseph Raseta and M. Joseph Ravonhangy, were sentenced to death. Another was sentenced to hard labour for life. Others received 10 years and five years. They were alleged to have led an army revolt against the French in Madagascar in 1947.

President Auriol, it is thought, will commute the death sentences and reduce the prison terms.

One of the grounds of appeal was that the Parliamentary immunity of the five had been raised to permit their trial on a political charge, but they had in fact been tried on a criminal charge. The Court rejected this plea on the ground that Parliament had not, in due course, exercised its constitutional right of intervention.

The law which was debated today limited the charges on which Parliamentarians might be tried to those specifically laid down by Parliament. If a Court wishes to modify the charges or add others, it must obtain special authorisation from the Chamber involved.

The Prime Minister, M. Henri Queuille, advised members of the National Assembly to consider the law without reference to the Madagascar sentences, as it was not permissible to question the Court's decision.

To symbolise the Government's wish to avoid a reference to the Madagascar sentences, which are the subject of Party controversy, M. Queuille and his Ministers left the Chamber.—Reuter.

Thailand Internal Policy

Bangkok, July 9.

The Thailand Government is determined to maintain internal peace in spite of revolutions and civil wars in surrounding countries. This is according to an eight-point programme introduced by the Premier, Field-Marshal Luang Pibul Songkram, when the Thailand Parliament opened today.

Other points of his programme; maintenance of an efficient army responsible to the constitutional authority alone, promotion of the nation's agricutural and mining industries, and reconstruction of war-damaged and out-moded communications.

The session, the first since Thailand's new Constitution, was attended by 106 of the 121 members in the Lower House.

With 66 pledged supporters, the Prime Minister is assured of an absolute majority when the vote is taken tomorrow.—Reuter.

PEACE PETITION BY ITALIAN REDS

Rome, July 9.

Italian Communists and left wing Socialists today laid before the Chamber of Deputies a peace petition, said to have been signed by more than 4,000,000 Italians opposed to their country taking part in the Atlantic Pact.

The Communists, opening their all-out campaign against the Pact, said that they would force a debate on the petition.—Reuter.

RAF EXPERIMENT

London, July 9.

Four Air Training Corps cadets will accompany a Royal Air Force bomber squadron for the first time when it leaves Suffolk tomorrow for Egypt on a Bomber Command's overseas training exercise.

The cadets and the squadron's 50-man crew will follow the six Lancaster bombers in four Transport Dakotas. If the experiment is successful, other cadets will make similar flights.—Reuter.

TREASURE HUNT IN JAPAN FOR LOOTED PROPERTY

Tokyo, July 9.

One of the biggest treasure hunts the world has ever known has been going on here since the end of the war.

This treasure hunt has been led by Brigadier-General Patrick H. Tansey, whose job it is to find all looted goods brought back to Japan by Japanese armed forces during their victorious days.

General Tansey is General Douglas MacArthur's civil property custodian.

For almost four years now, General Tansey and his agents have been looking in museums, private homes, temples, public building and anywhere else they thought they might find things which had been brought to Japan from areas previously occupied by the once powerful imperial armies.

Varied Claims

At the same time, General Tansey has been sorting the thousands of claims which have been received from Allied nations for all kinds of property.

It range from personal items such as watches, rings and books, to large scale industrial machinery, passenger and cargo vessels, gold, silver, diamonds, raw materials and cultural objects.

"During the time that the looted property program has been in operation," General Tansey said in an interview, "we have taken into custody upwards of 8,000 industrial machines including two whole factories, approximately 700 vehicles, 17,000 tons of raw materials including such base metals as tin, lead and zinc, 10,000 tons of nickel and copper coins and thousands of books, paintings and other cultural objects.

Ships Salvaged

"In addition, 82 Allied vessels have been found in Japanese waters. Thirty of these were found feasible of salvage, repair and refitting."

General Tansey said property which has been reported by the Japanese Government as looted but which cannot be identified as to ownership is being evaluated and sold as rapidly as circumstances permit.

"The proceeds derived from these sales are placed in a special fund which eventually will be divided among the seven nations whose territories were occupied by the Japanese," General Tansey said.

He identified the nations as China, The Netherlands, United Kingdom, Philippines, France, Australia and India.

NOTE OF CAUTION ON JAVA

New York, July 8.

The Republic of Indonesia Office here today cautioned that the agreement reached with the Dutch in Indonesia still has not been formally approved and the very nature of the actual military situation in Indonesia makes it difficult to take an optimistic view as regards smooth implementation of the cease-fire order.

The office said the return of Republican leaders to Jogjakarta can be regarded as the first link in a chain of consecutive steps to be followed under the Roem-van Royen agreement. It emphasised that the agreement was the first step which will facilitate President Solkarno's and Vice-President Hatta's conference with the full Cabinet of the Government—which includes members of the emergency government—and with Parliament and military leaders of the Republican Army".

"Such a conference is imperative in order to arrive at a final decision on matters of cease fire and the round-table conference at the Hague. On these vital questions Solkarno and Hatta have made personal commitments which will be submitted to the Government for adoption."

The Republican statement concluded: "Certain actions of Dutch officers, particularly in Sumetra, are contrary to the principles of the Roem-van Royen agreement whereby the Netherlands commits itself to refrain from establishment or recognition or recognition of separate parties formerly under Republican control. Continuation of such actions is likely to endanger the outcome of the round-table conference."—United Press.

Police Raid Red Offices In Sydney

Sydney, July 9.

Australian security police raided the Communist Party headquarters here early today and seized party files in a further government attempt to break the 13-day old Communist-led strike of the nation's 24,000 miners.

Fifty security policemen descended on Marx House in a surprise raid. Armed guards were posted about the building to bar entrance and exit to all unauthorised persons while inside the building other police began an immediate search of confiscated files.

The raid was carried out under a warrant issued under the national emergency act approved last week and upheld by the high court on Wednesday.—United Press.

SAYS HE'S VICTIM OF CONSPIRACY

Canberra, July 9.

Australia's Minister for External Territories, Mr. Edward John Ward, alleged in the House of Representatives here last night that he had been the victim of a conspiracy.

Addressing the House about the Royal Commission's report exonerating him from complicity in the Bululo (New Guinea) timber leases fraud, he said that he was very pleased that his name had been cleared of the unjustified attacks after such a long period.

Arising from a conspiracy to defraud a company, there was "another conspiracy to destroy me politically and injure the (Labour) Party to which I belong," Mr. Ward stated.—Reuter.

And Then There Was Only One

Lausanne, July 9.

The Israeli delegation to the peace talks here has been reduced to one member—Gershon Hirsch, head of the Western European section of the Foreign Office.

Until the talks are resumed on July 18, following the recess, Mr. Hirsch will spend part of his time in Geneva, where he has been appointed observer at the ninth session of the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

Mr. Hirsch said Israel was particularly interested in the United Nations programme for technical assistance to underdeveloped areas, which is up before this session of the Council, and in the proposed UN organisation to protect stateless persons when the International Refugee Organisation ends its work.

During the recess, Mr. Hirsch will meet from time to time with the General Committee of the Palestine Conciliation Commission to discuss technical and political questions.—United Press.

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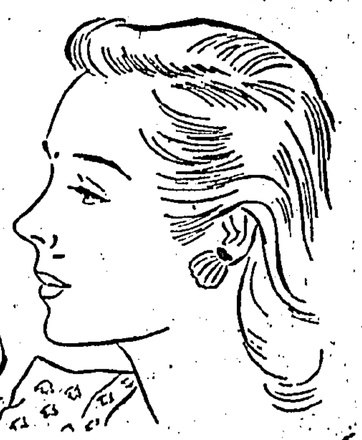

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Between Ourselves

CLOTHES FOR AIR TRAVEL

By JANET MARTIN

In these air-minded days, some designers are making a speciality of clothes for air travel, clothes which interlink as neatly as the pieces of a jigsaw puzzle so that the modest amount of baggage permitted by the aircraft companies suffices to keep a woman well dressed right round the world.

If you've travelled by air already, you will have learnt by experience how to travel lightly but well. The problem is not so much what to take as what to leave behind, and it increases in direct proportion to the distance and varying climates involved in your journey.

Packing for flying is a combination of ingenuity and ruthlessness, with a thankful eye to the inter-changeability of the modern wardrobe. Nothing must be included just on the chance that it may come in handy...for it invariably won't!

The free baggage allowance for overseas flights is 66 lbs which, translated into simpler terms one decent sized suitcase and an overnight bag. A lightweight air travel case will save you several valuable pounds.

You can reasonably expect to take free, in addition to the baggage allowance, an overcoat, rug, handbag, and such etceterns as camera and binoculars. Excess baggage is expensive, the official rate, being equivalent to 30/-per lb.

If you are going from a hot climate towards a cold one, travel in your most crease-resisting suit and take a matching coat over your arm. Don't choose a skirt with many pleats or the constant sitting will crush them.

Thin Blouse

You can then start the journey wearing the suit skirt, with a thin blouse of georgette or one of the crease-resisting muslins. The temperature inside the aircraft will be regulated for comfort at various heights, but when you land in colder climes, you will have the jacket, the coat, and a cardigan and jumper easily accessible in your case, ready to slip on as required.

With the travel outfit, you will wear medium or low-heeled walking shoes which will fit in later with tailored frocks, slacks, or the odd skirt.

The basic clothes to be packed away in your suitcase might include:

One light summer frock in an uncrushable material such as seersucker or processed cotton and rayon.

One odd skirt which will vary its mood according to its blouse.

One evening skirt in silk jersey or something similar soft material.

Three blouses, one tailored, one fancy and one jacket-style, which can be interchanged with the suit and both the skirts.

One pair of slacks in a colour to tone with cardigan and jumper, with tailored blouse and walking shoes.

Shoes

One "round the clock" dress, with its little jacket, in soft, printed silk.

One dinner dress in crepe or featherweight wool for cooler climes.

One lightweight woollen frock which can be worn under the coat.

One tailored costume.

One pair of smart afternoon shoes, one pair evening sandals, one pair slippers.

One lightweight dressing gown.

Four sets of undies, two nighties or pyjamas and a swimsuit or beach outfit.

Gloves, stocking, hankerchiefs and scarves, which weight next to nothing.

Make-up necessories, toilet bag and jewellery are most conveniently kept in the overnight bag, together with a set of the undies, a nightie and an odd cardigan.

Make your own variations on this theme and you will be ready to land anywhere at any season. Fold each dress skirt, or jacket to fit the full length of the suitcase, tucking undies, woollies and small items into the corners to utilise every inch of space evenly. You will be surprised how much can be packed into one case in this way.

MRS. M. IS HAUNTED

BY INGRID ETTER

I am sorry for Mrs. Mallowan . . . . haunted throughout the years by a rather naive and ageing ex-officer and by a very conceited, moustachioed and kind-hearted Belgian.

To obtain a few months respite from their company Mrs. Mallowan has exiled both, together—they are intimate friends—to South America, where they are on a prolonged vacation.

"Heaven knows how old my Belgian friends is now," she told me. "He was already elderly in 1920. But I just daren't kill him off."

No one's detective instinct will have been unduly strained in recognising Mrs. Mallowan as the creator of the unique and immortal M. Hercule Poirot—Miss Agatha Christie in person.

She is working today on her 50th crime story since the First World War—and that is news to millions of delighted readers, her happy publishers and the inconie tax collector (she is reputed to earn £5,600 a year net).

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More than 50,000,000 copies of Agatha Christie thrillers have sold so far in almost every language under the sun including more than 30,000,000 copies in the United States.

The lady who has thought up more murders than any woman since Lucretia Borgia does not look it.

Both her delightful home in Devonshire and her flat in town show the care and taste only a woman of leisure is supposed to achieve, and her grooming and clothes are of the perfect and unobtrusive variety.

Once—at the time of "The Mysterious Affair at Styles"—her first crime novel written as an escape from hospital duties—she was a redhead. Now her attractive face is framed by white hair.

"I have to plan my timetable carefully," admits Agatha. "I try to write as much as possible for several days fitting it in with housework, and then have a couple of days off.

The post-bag means extra work and trouble, too. Some of the maddest letters in the world reach the Mallowan letter-box. Belonging to the "truth is stranger than fiction" department, they suggest plots taken from the writer's own life, or new ways of killing, dreamt up during a sleepless night.

These and court cases are ignored. Miss Agatha Christie, M. Hercule Poirot and Miss Marple "my favourite old maid" invent and solve with the Watsonlike help of Captain Hastings.

And when she is tired of murders she has a brief holiday under the name of Mary Westmacott, and writes a light romance to show her talent is not confined.

Perhaps M. Poirot knows the secret of her genius—in far-off South America. And he, we know can be discreet.

Sharp Shoulders

High puffed shoulders are the feature of the dresses worn by Mrs. Betty Sebastian, Maria Luisa Villarama, daughter of the Philippine Minister of Health, and Mrs. Linda Sebastian when they attended a cocktail party for members and wives of the World Health Organisation at the Excelsior Hotel, Rome The party was given by Dr. Antonio Villarama, Philippine Minister of Health and chief of his country's delegation to the Organisation.—AP Photo.

Long And Short Of It

By YVONNE TABBUSH

A GULF is widening between Grosvenor Street and Grafton Street in London's fashionable West End.

On either side the trichologists are ranged for battle, scissors and hairpins poised. In the middle, floundering in the gulf, are thousands of unhappy women. Their problem: to cut or not to cut: short hair or long.

"Short," says Raymond emphatically, fingering his own dark, luxuriant growth.

The blue carnation on his broad chest quivers.

"And shorter still by the middle of summer. The real shingle—that will be the rage."

Up To You

"Long" says Steiner stroking his fair goatee.

"Despite anything else that may be said—at least two inches longer by the end of summer."

From the feminine seclusion of their plush salons, these two men—the dapper Court hairdresser and the swarthy, self avowed leader of fashion—are after your head.

The battle is on—but it's up to you to decide the winner. After all, it's your hair.

This is how they mean to treat it:

Raymond Says—

No curls, no waves, no fluffiness. Sleek forward movements, shorn necks.

"There are no limits," he says. "I do eight different short styles now in my salons. There are dozens of others."

Summer favourite: The old shingle with a difference—a monk's cowl brushed up from a circular crown at the back. Wellington burns on the cheeks.

Points to go for: Hair over the ears, short "urchin" fringes, ruffle cuts and side wings.

Short, all of them—("Hair must become shorter before it gets longer"). Sleek—until the wind blows a hair out of place. Becoming—to the young and pretty.

Steiner Says—

"The tonsorial art is in the waving and curling not the cutting," says Steiner.

"Short hair is not feminine. Husbands and lovers don't like it. Every day ladies come into my salon and say 'I've been told to put more hair on.'

"I put it on—glamour curls we call them. But the men object to false hair, too. So? So the ladies must grow it, at least two inches."

Points to go for: Soft, casual curls, upswept sides, asymmetrical styles. Curls fluffed up on one side or marching boldly down the back. Curls in a bang, curls on either side of a V parting—all showing early Victorian influence.

"The hairline is beautiful," says Steiner, "Why hide it with fringes and forward movements? Sweep the hair back, clear the brow.

"Close cuts are only suitable for ballet dancers. They balance the short skirts. Long skirts need longer hair.

Which Wins?

"But the Englishwoman is an individualist. She doesn't follow fashion sheepishly. She wears what suits her, thank goodness. Now she is reacting against short hair."

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Beauty In The Hot Weather:

THE ART OF RELAXING

By CLAUDIA

Do you know the meaning of the word "Relax?" In our modern vocabulary it is frequently used but seldom fully understood.

There is a great deal more to relaxing than flopping into an armchair and taking the weight off your feet! True relaxation rests the mind as well as the body. That is why it is such a splendid beauty tonic, for the small cares and worries of everyday life can put lines on the face more quickly than the years.

A charming American friend, who looks under 40 but confesses to an incredible 52, ascribes her amazing youth and vitality to having made a cult of relaxation, more than to any amount of time and money spent on beauty care.

For a minimum of 10 minutes each day, she finds time to practice relaxing. It is not easy, and needs a good deal of practice before that delicious floating sensation, which is the culminating experience, can be achieved.

One can relax at any time of the day, but the best time of all is during the late afternoon or early evening, between the activities of the day and the pleasures of the evening.

During these trying hot months, when the heat and humidity seem to drain our strength and energy, relaxation is more beneficial and refreshing than ever. And if you find it difficult to get off to sleep, many have found it the best answer to insomnia.

Give It A Trial

Suppose you have 10 or 15 minutes to spare after your tepid evening bath. Give relaxation a trial and I'm sure you will want to try it again.

Lie flat on your bed, head resting on a very low pillow, arms by your sides, palms upturned, legs slightly parted. Close your eyes and let every joint of your body go slack. Breathe deeply, letting out the breath in 'sighs.' With every sigh, feel yourself go limper....limper....and limper, until you feel that you are just as relaxed as you ever could be.

Now you are ready to *begin* relaxing! Concentrate your thoughts on each part of the body in turn, starting from the scalp and asking each bit whether it is completely relaxed. You will find tension across the forehead, around the eyelids, at the corners of the nose and mouth. The jaw, and even the tongue, must be slack. Think of each muscle in shoulders, back, arms and legs, willing each and every one to relax.

If your mind should slip onto any other subject, go back and check over those muscles and you will be amazed at the number of small tensions which have crept back while you were not "looking."

Secret Of Success

The secret of success lies in not permitting your mind to stray from the subject. This is the one time when you must literally think about yourself to the exclusion of everything else.

Now comes the most difficult part, but the most worth while, when you have learned to do it. Try to empty your mind of every thought. Cease to concentrate on those relaxed muscles, just lie there, completely relaxed, and try to think of nothing at all.

The sign of success is an indescribable sensation of lightness, as though your body were made of air, floating in space.

You can do it if you try hard enough...and when you can do it, its wonderful!

Living And Learning

By AMY LANDRETH

Princess Elizabeth had a new navy-blue habit for her Trooping the Colour ride recently. Like the outfit she wore for for the ceremony two years ago, it was based on the lines of a Grenadier Guards officer's jacket and she wore the crown and two stars of Colonel of the Grenadiers on the shoulder straps. With it again went a debonnair peaked cap, goldbraided Guards fashion.

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Fashions have fun today says my colleague Edna McKenna. Recent dress shows produced a host of designers' "practical jokes."

Gold divots are used to fasten a tweed suit.

Dog-leash belts in Silver, gold or pigskin outline the waists of coats or suits.

A coat has half-crown sized buttons marching down the right of the bodice and the left of the skirt.

A suit in brown gabardine boasts a "smoking" jacket top with rolled velvet collar.

Doe-skin material is used in coats and suits made by a firm which formerly specialised in billiards cloth.

Finally, a real Theda Bara evening dress has a leopard skin bodice and grey chiffon skirt. It is kept up by a gold dog-leash which twines round the wearer's neck.

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Those super-secretary jobs that top-level white-collar girls could pick for themselves up till two years ago are not quite so easy to come by these days.

Men are after them, too. In the Army many soldiers on clerical duties took shorthand and typing classes. Now, in the civilian market, they find it offers them more scope than general office work.

Besides, while the boss will only rarely pick out his woman secretary for a future executive position, the promising young male secretary stands a good chance of grooming himself for something bigger.

Employers say that for getting through the work they are keen to have men: they work better on their own initiative and are absent less often.

But on the other hand, they say; you don't find an understanding young man who will remember flowers for a wife's birthday or meet the children from school occasionally.

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Silliest fashion just now is the craze for keeping dark sunglasses on indoors. Some women wear them in restaurants or for cocktail parties because they think it gives them a mystery-woman glamour.

Much smarter is Gertrude Lawrence, seen the other day using her shell-pink lorgnettes as an elegant accessory.

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Ingrid Etter has been talking to Miss Eglantyne Jebb, vice chairman of the Save the Children Fund. She has strong views, Ingrid tells me, on the nursery v. home controversy and is very much on the side of the nursery for toddlers upwards. "Small children learn to play with others and to develop a social sense which is invaluable to them later. The companionship is particularly important for lonely children." Miss Jebb says.

She is an expert who knows her subject, for not only is she head of the Froebel college of teachers at Roehampton but she bears a name historic in child welfare work. She is cousin of the late Eglantyne Jebb who, after the first World War, forced through the Declaration of the Rights of the Child, incorporated by the League of Nations.

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Who said the war was over? Four-year-old, watching a hailstorm the other day: "Look, Mummy, it's saccharining!"

"Dear Mr. Mamak,

My trouble is ankles. My legs are fairly well-shaped, but my ankles are fat and almost shapeless. I wonder if there is anything you can suggest to remedy fat ankles". S.R.P.

I am glad you have brought up this question of fat, shapeless ankles. Most women do not seem to realise that ever since the skirts took a downward plunge, ankles have attracted a lot more attention. Lower skirts have definitely put an accent on ankles.

I sugges the following treatment for you, but you must exercise patience and perseverance if you want results.

Take two deep basins, one containing hot water, as hot as you can bear, and the other very cold. Add two tablespoonfuls of Epsom salt to the water in each basin. Now put your feet in the hot basin first and see that the water is sufficient to reach well over the ankles. Leave your feet in the hot basin for one minute, then transfer them to the cold basin. Repeat this 10 times in each basin, finishing with the cold.

In order to keep the hot water to the right temperature all the time during these 20 minutes, it would be necessary for you to keep a kettle of hot water handy, so that you can add some more hot water to the basin after taking out some of the water that will be getting lower in temperature.

The idea is to improve the circulation and melt away the fat from the ankles. This, however, is not all. Some exercise is also necessary to achieve prompt results. Walk on tip-toes, in your bare or stockinged-feet, with toes turned slightly in. Do this for five minutes once a day. Immediately after this exercise, massage the ankles with talcum powder. Hot and cold baths, combined with exercise and massage will undoubtedly help you beautify your ankles.

Above all, wear the right size in shoes. I have often noticed women with size 7 feet wearing size 6 shoes—some even try size 5. This is wrong, and it is definitely a step away from health, happiness and glamour.

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If you have any beauty problems, send them in to Victor c/o Sunday Herald, and they will be answered in these columns.

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Ann Temple

Popularity At Parties

I want to achieve popularity at parties but I am completely negative.

If I behaved naturally I would simply sit and listen to others. But I might as well not be there for all the impression I make.—J.B.

You don't really like leaving it all to others. You have only persuaded yourself that you do. No one enjoys being a social cipher, but being one furnishes an excellent reason for not contributing when contributing means a desperate effort to overcome shyness and lack of confidence.

You succeed in making an impression not from the desire to do so but from a spontaneous contribution arising from your interest in a subject of which you know something and to which you can give your own slant.

This party popularity calls for effort, probably for some hard work. It may entail being able to play a good hand at bridge, dancing well, having acquaintance with the subjects the people you meet talk about, getting out and about to lectures, art shows, plays, and reading intelligently.

You should also have one or two specialities of your own, things you know well, in which you are so interested that your very enthusiasm makes you contribute to conversation when the occasion arises.

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I come of a sturdily independent working-class family who have always had to work for everything they have got.

Recently I have had many kindnesses, in both gifts and invitations, so my problem now is how to accept graciously as well as gratefully and so not spoil the pleasure of the giver by being gawky and embarrassed.

It sounds so simple, but I don't find it so, especially when I am taken out to dine or dance.
—CATHIE.

You have that "sturdy, independent, working-class" business out of perspective. You think you are proud of it—quite rightly—but what's wrong with you is that you are self-conscious about it.

Why drag it in? In your family life there were graciousness and gratitude towards each other in the little things, the little ways of life, I am sure. Take your confidence from that training. It's obviously there since you can appreciate these graces. Remember that and forget the independent stuff.

Probably you are boggling at the form of expression of your appreciation. Don't hide the fact that you are enjoying yourself. Obvious enjoyment is in itself a charming acknowledgment. Then a sincere and straightforward "Thank you so much. You have given me a really *lovely* evening" gives the finishing touch in words to graciousness of manner.

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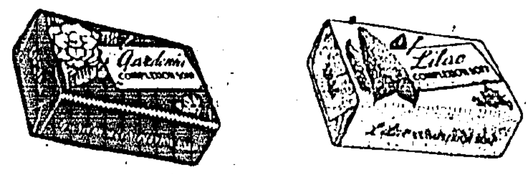

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"TJIBADAK"	4th August	

MANILA

	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"TJITJALENGKA"	12th July	20th July
"RUYS"	18th July	

SINGAPORE, PENANG and BELAWAN DELI

	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"VAN HEUTSZ"	15th July	
"TJITJALENGKA" *	21st July	23rd July
"VAN RIEMSDIJK"	1st August	8th August
"VAN HEUTSZ"	16th August	

* Not calling at Penang & Belawan Deli

EAST & SOUTH AFRICA & SOUTH AMERICA

	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"TJIKAMPEK" *	18th July	
"RUYS"	10th Aug.	12th July
"TJIBODAS" *	7th Sept.	
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	5th Oct.	18th Aug.

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	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"RUYS"	18th July	7th August
"TJIKAMPEK" *		15th July

No passenger accommodation.

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	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"AMSTELDIJK"	End July	
"RIJNKERK"	End Aug.	Early Aug.
"MARIEKERK"	End Sept.	Early Sept.

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JAPAN

	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"AMSTELDIJK"		End July

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Hong Kong, July 9, 1949.

JAPANESE ECONOMY BEING MAINTAINED

Tokyo, July 8.

General MacArthur's experts are endeavouring to keep Japan's economy from sliding in the face of recession news from other parts of the world.

Thus far they have been successful. Production is rising and the export programme is holding up well.

During June, according to General MacArthur's foreign trade officials, contracts were validated for more than US$42,000,000 in exports. This figure is said to represent a healthy average in comparison to past records.

In the past three Japanese had been lucky in finding outlets for all they produced, and it is known that General MacArthur himself is confident that this situation will continue for a while at least.

Although they will not be quoted on the subject, most officials here feel that Japanese production would be a lot higher and Japan's economic situation would be practically solved today if the United States had poured as much money into this country as it has into Germany.

Today the British money situation is being watching closely here by Allied officials and by the Japanese themselves.

Austerity Plans

Not only will future developments in Britain affect Japanese trade but events there are of interests to the Japanese because of a similarity of many problems in both countries.

General MacArthur's Headquarters is taking a strong hand in Japanese economic matters these days. One of the Allied inspired measures is the Japanese Government's plan to dismiss 95,000 Government railway employees.

The programme is meeting considerable opposition from labour circles and the Communists are doing their best to exploit the situation.

The most sensational development has been the mysterious death of the railway chief, Sadanori Shimoyama, whose decapitated body was found on rail tracks early on Wednesday.

The dismissal of rail workers is only one of the steps in an austerity programme which General MacArthur's experts hope will keep Japan's head above water.—United Press.

N.Y. Stock Exchange

New York, July 9.

Stock market traders played it safe on Friday and prices for most issues barely moved. The market edged forward in early trading, but there was no drive behind the buying and the gains—few more than a point—were soon trimmed.

Second most active stocks was Benguet Consolidated which closed down ⅛ at 2⅝ on sale of 12,000 shares. Many stocks ended with no change after swinging back and forth during the day.

Transfers totalled 640,000 shares. Among gainers were Guantanamo Sugar, American Broadcast, Douglas Aircraft, Manati Sugar, Dow Chemical, Warner Brothers.

Stumblers included Lockheed, Western Union, Santa Fe, United Airlines, Twentieth Century Fox.

Dow Jones Averages:
Stocks 60.68.
20 Industrials 170.92.
15 Rails 43.19.
10 Utilities 35.68.

Closing quotations:
Adams Express 18¾.
Alaska Juneau 8¼.
American Can 91¼.
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American Telephone 141¼.
American Tobacco 70.
American Waterworks 7¾.
Anaconda Copper 27⅜.
Aviation Corp. 5⅝.
Baldwin Locomotive 9¾.
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Borden Co. 40⅝.
Canadian Pacific 11⅝.
J. I. Case 33½.
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—Associated Press.

Report On Income Tax Liability

London, July 9.

No further notifications of income tax liability on wartime Service pay received up to April, 1947, will be issued, but persons who have been already notified and now paying arrears will still have to pay.

On the report stage of the Finance Bill in the House of Commons today, Lieutenant Commander Braithwaite (Conservative) moved a new clause to provide that ex-servicemen who received demands of arrears of income tax on their Forces' pay should be entitled to claim that such arrears should be disregarded up to £75.

Brigadier Low, Conservative, said that there could be no check of accuracy of such demands. Some men were receiving demands three and a half years after closing their Army accounts.

Mr. Jay, the Economic Secretary to the Treasury, said that, in view of the special case of these ex-servicemen and the feeling of the House of Commons, the Chancellor of the Exchequer had decided that no further notifications would be issued in respect of wartime service pay received up to April, 1947.

Those who had received notification would still have to pay, as would those in the process of settling claims over a period.

Earlier, two Government-sponsored clauses were approved. One provided that from next year dog licences will last for 12 months from the month of issue. The other reduced the entertainment duty to enable cinemas to reprice some seats at 1/3d. The House of Commons also agreed to a clause exempting amateurs from entertainment duty.—Reuter.

LONDON STOCKS

London, July 9.

The general tone of the stock market was firm with industrials, oils and gilt-edged securities closing with small gains. Prospects of the United States restarting stockpiling resulted in new firmness for commodity shares with rubber, tin, copper and lead shares closing firm and high.

Financial Times' Index: 103.6—Associated Press.

NY COTTON

New York, July 9.

Cotton futures closed 35 cents a bale higher to 20 cents lower.
July 32.82.
October 29.45-46.
December 29.32.
March 29.24.
May 29.13.
July 28.55.
Middling Spot 33.25 nominal.—Associated Press.

ANGLO-DANISH AGREEMENT

London, July 8.

The British Ministry of Supply and the Danish Egg Export committee have reached agreement on the supply of Danish eggs to Britain for the year 1949-50.

Denmark will send 85 per cent of her exportable surplus eggs to Britain as last year. Quantities are expected to be larger. A different price has been fixed for each of the four seasons and the average price will be rather lower than 1948-49.—Reuter.

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U.S. COTTON FORECAST

Washington, July 8.

The United States will grow more than 26,380,000 acres of cotton this year, 3,000,000 acres more than in 1948, the Department of Agriculture forecast here today.

No estimate of production was given, although last year's cultivation produced the best crop for 11 years—nearly 15,000,000 bushels.—Reuter.

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Hong Kong, July 6, 1949.

TROUBLE ON CEYLON ESTATES

Colombo, July 8.

Mr. D. S. Senanayake, Prime Minister of Ceylon, said today that the Government is ready to accept the challenge of trade unions which have called token strikes on rubber and tea estates.

"If representatives of labour want to force our hand we are ready to accept their challenge," he said.

The Ceylon Indian Congress Labour Union, the Ceylon Union Federation and the Ceylon Labour Federation, have decided to call a joint strike of rubber and tea workers on July 22.

The Premier added that the Government will not allow producers to exploit labour as a result of the exemption of the rubber industry from the operation of the Wages Board's Ordinance.

The industry was exempted last week as a relief measure because rubber producers are faced with a crisis over low market prices in America.

A labour spokesman today said that the tea estate workers are being called out to show solidarity with rubber workers as well as to protest against the Government's refusal to sanction a 10 cent wage increase recommended by the Wage Board.

Protest meetings are to be held in Colombo on the day of the strike.—Reuter.

Money Market

Dropping further yesterday U.S. dollars closed at HK$6.20 after opening at $6.22.

TT opened at HK$6.21 and closed at $6.18.

Both Sterling and Australian pounds were unchanged at HK$17.50 and HK$14.20 respectively.

Piastres were nominal at HK$13.20 a 100.

Ticals were again unchanged at HK$26.30 a 100.

NEI Guilders were lower at HK$35.35 a 100.

LEVERS' PROFITS

London, July 9.

Lever Brothers and Unilever Limited today reported a 1948 net profit of £7,161,505 compared with £5,286,818 in the previous year.—Associated Press.

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*"BENALBANACH"	— do —	End August.
"BENCRUACHAN"	— do —	Mid August.
*"BENNEVIS"	— do —	End August.
"BENMACDHUI"	— do —	1st half Sept.

SAILINGS

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"BENVORLICH"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull.	End July.
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§"BENCRUACHAN"		2nd half August.
"BENALBANACH"		1st half Sept.
§"BENMACDHUI"		Mid Sept.
§"BENARTY"	Liverpool, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg.	12th July.
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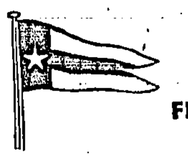

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Shipping Arrivals

YESTERDAY

Fort Caribou (Eastern), ex-Mike.... Mack, Whf.
Shengking (B & S), British, ex-Swatow....Coast, Whf.
Tjisadane (RIL), Dutch, ex-Manila, A8
Valve (North West Co.), Panamian, ex-Straits....K. Bay.
Vesteroy (Wallem), Norwegian, ex-Manila....A16.

TODAY

City of Liverpool (Bank) ex-Atlantic Coast.
Daybeam (Mac Mac) ex-Japan.
Pakhoi (B & S) ex-Bangkok.
President Cleveland (APL) ex-Pacific Coast.

TOMORROW

Mount Mansfield (APL) ex-Manila.
Pioneer Lake (USL) ex-Manila.
President Harrison (APL) ex-Straits.
Takasang (Jardine) ex-Calcutta.
Wosang (Jardine) ex-Keelung.

Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

Chi Mei (CMSN) for Foochow.
Cyclops (B & S) for Singapore.
Hupeh (B & S) for Inchon.
Kwelyang (B & S) for Swatow.

TODAY

China Transport (Jardine) for Los Angeles.
Colorado (Dodwell) for Vancouver.
Shengking (B & S) for Swatow.
Tjisadane (RIL) for Java Ports.

TOMORROW

Anhui (B & S) for Swatow.
Breconshire (Jardine) for Europe.
Glalong (MM) for Saigon.
Lisholt (Wallem) for New York.
Ninghai (B & S) for Bangkok.

Vessels In Port

Amsteldijk (RIL) ..... K. Whf.
An Dah (Chung Hsing) ..... K. Bay
Bankivia (B & S) ..... T. Dk.
Benvrackie (Loxley) ..... K. Whf.
Both (RIL) ..... T. Dk.
Breconshire (Jardine) A2
Chaksang (Jardine) ..... K. Dk.
Caltex 11 (Texas) ..... LCK
Chiping (CMSN) ..... Co.'s Whf.
Christobal (Rama) B15
Cloverleck (Yick Yuen) ..... Ymt.
Colon, (Wallem) ..... Ymt.
Dah Kiang (Yuen Tung) ..... Ymt.
Dah Tung (NC) ..... S.C
Dilwara (Mac Mac) ..... Holt's Whf.
Dr. Angier (MM) ..... T. Dk.
Dun Yu (CMS) ..... K. Dk.
Ebonol (Jebsen) ..... Ymt.
Empire Park (Jebsen) ..... Ymt.
Flying Arrow (Pattison) ..... K. Whf
Fort Caribou (Eastern) ..... Mack. Whf.
Fort Charlotte (Admiralty) ..... R.N.Y.
Frederick Clover (RASC) ..... Ymt.
Gialong (MM) ..... T. Dk.
Greater Shanghai (CMSN) ..... Ymt
Green Ranger (NSO) ..... R.N.A.
Hai Fei (CMSN) A10
Hai Kwei (CMSN) ..... S.C.
Hai Lin (CMSN) ..... Ymt.
Hai Nu (?) ..... Ymt.
Hai Tung (Hop Lee) ..... W. Whf.
Hai Yang (Holly) ..... Ymt.
Hai Ying (Wallem) B20
Hinsang (Jardine) A12
Hu Men (Ming Sung) ..... K. Dk.
Hunan (B & S) H9
Hung Chong (CMSN) ..... SS Po
Hung Yung (CMSN) ..... SS Po
Hwa Lien (Kung Dah) ..... K. Bay
Hwah Sung (Wallem) ..... Yau.
Joseph S (PCM) ..... K. Dk.
Kaikoria (Wallem) ..... Ymt.
King Hsing (Chung Hsing) .. K. Dk.
Lee Kung B22
Lightning (USL) ..... T. Dk.
Ming 302 (CMSN) ..... Co.'s Whf.
Miranda (Kung Dah) ..... K. Bay
Mistress (Master) ..... Yacht Club
Nan Guan (Chun Wei Sing) .. Ymt.
Nanchang (B & S) B14
New Shanghai (Trinity) ..... Ymt.
Nowroz (G Livingston) ..... S.C.
Oriental (Wallem) B23
Paulus Hook (Caltex) ..... K. Bay
Pei Heng (Cheong Fung) ..... T. Wan
Ping An (EA) ..... Ymt.
Poyang (B & S) ..... T. Dk.
Pronto (Karsten) B13
Prosper (Larsaen) B12
Rum River (Caltex) ..... K. Bay
San Rafael (Manners) ..... S.C.
San Rafael (Manners) ..... Ymt.
Shengking (B & S) ..... Cust. Whf.
Sin Soon Lee (Yee Sang Hong) ..Ymt.
Sinkiang (B & S) B11
Soochow (B&S) ..... T. Dk.
Soudan (Mac Mac) A11
Standella (B & S) ..... K. Dk.
Store Norilake (GNTC) .... HH Bay
Szechuen (B & S) B8
Tai Kin Shan (Shun Cheong) ... B6
Tai Ping Shan (APC) .... APC Whf.
Tai Ping Yang (Thoresen)... K. Whf.
Taiposhan (Shun Cheong) .... SS Po
Tasman (RIL) ..... Cos. Whf.
Tjisadane (RIL) A8
Tjitjalengka (RIL) A9
Triton (Dodwell) ..... K. Whf.
Tung Ziang (Grimble) ..... Ymt.
Valve (North West Co.) .... K. Bay
Wah Chung (S China) ..... Ymt.
Way Nam (Kung Dah) ..... B.C.
Yumen (Ming Sung) .... Will. Whf.

Vessels Due From

SOUTH AFRICA

July
Luxmi (Bank) 12
Ruys (RIL) 12
August
Straat Malakka (RIL) 18

AMERICA

ATLANTIC COAST

July
Belleville (Thoresen) 25
Bengal (Rama) 16
China Mail (Everett) 10
City of Liverpool (Bank) 16
Fernfield (Thoresen) ex-Gulf ports 12
Island Mail (Everett) 17
J.L. Luckenbach (Gourlie) 17
Menelthus (B & S) ex-New York . 17
Pioneer Cove (USL) 20
Pioneer Sea (USL) from Atlantic Ports 17
Pres. Harrison (APL) 14
Sally Maersk (Jebsen) 22
Steel Vendor (Gilman) 31
Tricape (Dodwell) 25
August
Arnold Maersk (Jebsen) 2
Ferndale (Thoresen) 15
Granville (Thoresen) 20
Oregon (Dodwell) ex-Vancouver .. 2
Grete Maersk (Jardine) 17
Montana (Dodwell) 19
Paducah Victory (USL) 13
Pres. Fillmore (APL) ex-New York 10
Tudor (Dodwell) 14
September
Benarce (Rama) ..... Early
Fernhill (Thoresen) 10
October
Fernbay (Thoresen) 10
Hopeville (Thoresen) 4

PACIFIC COAST

July
Bougainville (Bank) 22
Iran Victory (USL) ex-San Francisco 31
Pres. Cleveland (APL) 10
Pres. McKinley (APL) 19
Pres. Taft (APL) ex-San Francisco 29
Pres. Wilson (APL) 31
Sea Serpent (USL) ex-San Francisco 19
Wyoming (Dodwell) 20
Tantara (EA) ..... Mid.
August
Charles E Dant (Dodwell) ex-Los Angeles 4
Flying Dragon (USL) ex-San Francisco 16
Luxembourg Victory (USL) ex-San Francisco 13
Sunnyville (Bank) 21
Surprise (USL) ex-San Francisco 3
September
Tahsis (EA) ..... Mid

AUSTRALIA

July
Changte (B & S) ex-Sydney, Brisbane 17
Hindustan (Jardine) ex-Adelaide .. 26
Nankin (Mac Mac) 21
August
Arne (Dodwell) 26
Baluchistan (Jardine) ex-Melbourne 23

CHINA

July
Anhui (B & S) ex-Swatow 14
Kwelyang (B & S) ex-Amoy 14
Shengking (B & S) ex-Swatow.... 12
Takasang (Jardine) ex-Keelung 15
Wosang (Jardine) ex-Keelung 11

EUROPE

July
Andre Lebon (MM) ex-Marseilles Beg.
Autolycus (B & S) via Straits 20
Bendoran (Loxley) ex-UK via Singapore ..... Mid
Benverlich (Loxley) ..... End
Benreoch (Loxley) via Singapore 2nd hf
Champollion (MM) 20
Glengyle (Jardine) ex-London 26
Mongolia (EA) 22
Nordvest (Thoresen) ..... End
Oyonnax (MM) 22
Owendo (MM) ex-Europe 12
Radnorshire (Jardine) ex-London.. 10
Sangola (Mac Mac) 15
Shirala (Mac Mac) 24
Tantalaus (B & S) via Straits .. 18
August
Astyanax (B & S) via Straits .. 14
Benalbanach (Loxley) ..... End
Bencleugh (Loxley) ..... End
Bencruachan (Loxley) ..... Mid
Bennevis (Loxley) ..... End
Carthage (P & O) ex-London 1
Clytoneus (B & S) ex-U.K. 2
Corfu (P & O) ex-London 29
Denbighshire (Jardine) 12
Glenroy (Jardine) 27
Malaya (EA) ..... Mid
Maren (B & S) via Straits 2
Mindoro (Gilman) 3
Ravnaas (Thoresen) ..... Mid
Rijnkerk (RIL) ..... Early
Somali (Mac Mac) ex-London 2
Travancore (Gilman) ..... End
September
Benmacdhui (Loxley) ..... 1st half
Canton (Mac Mac) ex-London 26
Mariekerk (RIL) ..... Early
Morella (East Asiatic) ..... Mid
Trevelyan (Mac Mac) ex-London.. 20

INDIA

July
Shirala (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta .. 29
Sangola (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta .. 12
Sirdhana (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta .. 30
Takasang (Jardine) ex-Calcutta ... 11

JAPAN

July
Amsteloyk (RIL) ..... End
Daybeam (Mac Mac) 10
Itria (Mac Mac) 21
Kafristan (Jardine) 23
Pioneer Lake (USL) 16
Produce (B & S) ex-Kobe 19
Tjikampek (RIL) 15
August
Pioneer Sea (USL) 2
Ruys (RIL) 7
Star Arcturus (Everett) 8

SOUTH EAST PORTS

July
Mausang (Jardine) ex-Sandakan .. 16
Mount Mansfield (APL) ex-Manila 11
Noreverett (Everett) ex-Manila .. 10
Pakhoi (B & S) ex-Bangkok 15
Pioneer Lake (USL) ex-Manila ... 10
Pres. Harrison (APL) ex-Straits .. 11
Pres. Monroe (APL) ex-Manila .. 26
Pres. Tyler (APL) ex-Singapore .. 29
Star Betelgeuse (Everett) ex-Manila 16
Tjibadak (RIL) ex-Java 21
Turks Head (Everett) ex-Singapore 29
Van Riemsdijk (RIL) ex-Singapore 23
August
Bradeverett (Everett) ex-Singapore 5
Leneverett (Everett) ex-Singapore 1
Paducah Victory (USL) ex-Manila 30
Pioneer Sea (USL) ex-Manila 6
Pioneer Cove (USL) ex-Manila ... 7
Pres. Grant (APL) ex-Soutabaya.. 24
Van Heutsz (RIL) ex-Singapore .. 8

SOUTH AMERICA

July
Ruys (RIL) 12
August
Straat Malakka (RIL) 18

Sailings To

AFRICA

July
18 Tjikampek (RIL).
August
10 Ruys (RIL).
September
7 Tjibodas (RIL).
October
5 Straat Malakka (RIL).

AUSTRALIA

July
10 Citos (Dodwell) for Sydney.
August
16 Nankin (Mac Mac).

AMERICA

ATLANTIC COAST

July
10 Colorado (Dodwell) for Vancouver.
11 Lisholt (Wallem) for New York.
13 Pioneer Lake (USL).
14 China Mail (Everett).
Baltimore.
15 Pres. Harrison (APL) for New York.
16 Dona Nati (Rama) (calls Japan).
16 Queen's Victory (Gilman) for Panama.
19 City of Alma (Wallem) for New York.
19 Fernfield (Thoresen).
19 Trein Maersk (Jebsen) for New York.
20 Belleville (Thoresen).
21 Peter Maersk (Jebsen) for New York.
August
2 Oregon (Dodwell).
6 Pioneer Sea (USL).
9 Pioneer Cove (USL) for New York.
10 Pioneer Lake (USL).
11 Pres. Fillmore (APL) for New York.
15 Marchen Maersk (Jebsen) for New York.
Mid Dona Aniceta (Rama).
18 Meredith Victory (Gilman) via Panama.
20 Montana (Dodwell) for Vancouver.
21 Granville (Thoresen).
September
1 Paducah Victory (USL), for New York.
8 Sally Maersk (Jebsen).
11 Fernhill (Thoresen).

PACIFIC COAST

July
10 China Transport (Jardine) for Los Angeles.
13 Pres. Cleveland (APL) via Japan.
14 America Transport (Jardine) for Los Angeles.
19 Queen's Victory (Gilman) via Panama.
20 Pres. McKinley (APL) for San Francisco.
20 Temeraire (Dodwell).
21 Sea Serpent (USL) for San Francisco.
21 Wyoming (Dodwell) for Los Angeles.
27 Pres. Taft (APL) for San Francisco
30 Castleville (Bank) for San Francisco
August
1 Iran Victory (USL) for San Francisco.
2 Pres. Wilson (APL) for San Francisco via Japan.
2 Pacific Transport (Jardine) for San Francisco.
4 Surprise (USL) for San Francisco.
6 Charles E Dant (Dodwell) for Los Angeles.
6 Triton (Dodwell).
12 Luxembourg Victory (USL) for San Francisco.
18 Flying Dragon (USL) for San Francisco.
18 Meredith Victory (Gilman) via Panama.
September
18 Tudor (Dodwell).

CHINA

July
10 & 12 Shengking (B & S) for Swatow.
11 Anhui (B & S) for Swatow.
12 Hungsheng (CMSN) for Keelung.
12 Takasang (Jardine) for Swatow.
12 Tonghai (Gilman) for Keelung.
13 Takasang (Jardine) for Swatow.
14 Sangola (Mac Mac) for Amoy and Japan.
15 Hanyang (B & S) for Inchon.
17 Wingsang (Jardine) for Keelung.
18 Chaksang (Jardine) for Inchon.
19 Leneverett) Everett) for Shanghai.
31 Turks Head (Everett) for Shanghai.
August
1 Sirdhana (Mac Mac) for Amoy.

EUROPE

July
10 Breconshire (Jardine).
12 Benarty (Loxley) for Liverpool.
13 Bengal (Gilman).
15 Blankvann (East Asiatic).
15 Owendo (MM).
16 Pioneer Cove (USL).
Port Said, Genoa.
17 Tantalaus (B & S) for Liverpool.
20 Benlomond (Loxley) for Genoa.
22 Glengarry (Jardine) for Aden, Suez, London.
26 Antilochus (B & S) for Genoa.
30 Chambollion (MM) for Marseilles.
30 Tai Ping Yang (Thoresen) via Manila.
31 Surat (Mac Mac) for London.
End Benvrolich (Loxley).
End Amstedlik (RIL) via Manila.
August
Beg. Mongolia (EA).
5 Carthage (P & O) for London.
2nd half. Benreoch (Loxley).
2nd half. Bendoran (Loxley)
2nd half Benoruachan (Loxley).
9 Autolycus (B & S) for Liverpool.
15 Nordvest (Thoresen) via Manila.
Mid. Oyonnay (MM).
20 Mindoro (Gilman).
26 Clytoneus (B & S).
28 Somali (Mac Mac) for Antwerp.
End. Rijnkerk (RIL) via Manila.
September
Early. Bencleugh (Loxley).
Beg. Malaya (EA).
2 Corfu (P & O) for London.
1st half. Benalbanach (Loxley).
Mid. Ravnaas (Thoresen).
2nd half. Benmacdhui (Loxley).
30. Canton (Mac Mac) for London.
End. Mariekerk (RIL) via Manila.
October
Beg. Morella (EA).
1st half. Bennevis (Loxley).
25 Carthage (Mac Mac) for London.

INDIA

July
23 Itria (Mac Mac) for Bombay.

JAPAN

July
12 Tonghai (Gilman) for Kobe.
18 Ruys (RIL).
19 Pakhoi (B & S) for Yokohama.
20 Star Arcturus (Everett) for Kobe.
21 Changte (B & S) for Kure.
21 Surat (P & O) for Japan.
27 Oyonnax (MM).
31 Turks Head (Everett) for Kobe.
August
3 Leneverett (Everett) for Kobe.
5 Mindoro (Gilman) for Kobe and Yokohama.

SOUTH EAST PORTS

July
10 Flying Arrow (Pattison) for Manila.
10 Tjisadane (RIL) for Java Ports.
11 Gialong (MM) for Haiphong.
11 Ninghai (B & S) for Bangkok.
12 Daybeam (Mac Mac) for Singapore.
12 Foochow (B & S) for Singapore.
12 & 21 Tjitjalengka (RIL) for Manila.
13 Hinsang (Jardine) for Sandakan.
13 Hiram (Thoresen) for Singapore.
13 Island Mail (Everett) for P.I. Ports
14 Wosang (Jardine) for Saigon.
15 Anhui (B & S) for Singapore.
15 Kwelyang (B & S) for Saigon.
15 Van Heutsz (RIL) for Singapore, Penang.
17 Star Betelgeuse (Everett) for Singapore.
18 Pioneer Sea (USL) for Manila.
18 Ruys (RIL) for Manila.
21 Noreverett (Everett) for Singapore.
21 Pioneer Cove (USL) for Manila.
21 Takasang (Jardine) for Singapore.
21 Tjitjalengka (RIL) for Singapore.
23 Bougainville (Bank) for Singapore.
27 Hai Lee (Thoresen) for Singapore.
30 Pres. Tyler (APL) for Singapore.
31 Steel Vendor (Gilman) for Saigon, Bangkok and Batavia.
August
1 Van Riemsduk (RIL) for Singapore.
9 Bradeverett (Everett) for Manila.
4 Tjibadak (RIL) for Java.
6 Shirala (Mac Mac) for Straits.
10 Star Arcturus (Everett) for Manila.
14 Paducah Victory (USL) for Singapore.
16 Van Heutsz (RIL) for Singapore.
27 Pres. Grant (APL) for Sourabaya, Batavia.

SOUTH AMERICA

July
18 Tjikampek (RIL).
August
10 Ruys (RIL).
September
7 Tjibodas (RIL).
October
5 Straat Malakka (RIL).

ROUND THE WORLD

July
12 Mount Malakka (RIL).
23 Pres. Monroe (APL).

Ship Movements

The ss. Pioneer Lake is due to arrive here tomorrow afternoon. She will be berthed at Buoy A8 for discharge and loading of her cargo.

The vessel is expected to sail for New York via Kobe on Wednesday morning.

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS

Arrivals

TODAY

CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Amoy via Swatow: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Taipeh via Amoy: 5.40 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Kweilin, Liuchow, Canton: 4.40 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Canton: 6.40 p.m.; ex-Changsha via Canton: 5.55 p.m.; ex-Haihow via Canton: 8.40 p.m.
CATC ex-Chungking via Canton: 8.15 p.m.
CPA ex-Manila: 12 noon; ex-Singapore via Bangkok: 2.30 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.40 a.m., 12.55 p.m., 4.55 p.m., 7.45 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Tokyo, Okinawa: 12.45 p.m.
BHARAT ex-Calcutta: 4 p.m.

TOMORROW

AIR FRANCE ex-Saigon: 12.30 p.m.
CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Amoy via Swatow: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Foochow via Amoy: 4.50 p.m.; ex-Taipeh: 4.20 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Kweilin, Liuchow, Canton: 4.40 p.m.; ex-Haihow via Canton: 8.40 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.10 a.m., 11.40 a.m., 3.55 p.m., 4.55 p.m., 6.10 p.m., 7.10 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Midway, Wake, Guam, Manila: 1.45 p.m.; ex-New York via London, Istanbul, Damascus, Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok: 2.15. p.m.
QANTAS ex-Sydney: 3 p.m.
BOAC ex-Singapore: 4.45 p.m.; ex-Tokyo: 8 p.m.
TAL ex-Guam.

TUESDAY

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CATC for Amoy: 7 a.m.
CPA for Manila: 3.30 p.m.; Singapore via Bangkok: 7 a.m.
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TUESDAY

CNAC for Canton: 9 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 4.30 p.m.; Swatow: 8.15 p.m.; Amoy via Swatow: 12 noon; Taipeh via Amoy: 8.45 p.m.; Taipeh (direct): 10 a.m.; Haihow via Canton: 8 a.m.
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Hiss Trial Ends; No Verdict

New York, July 8.

The Alger Hiss perjury trial ended tonight without a verdict, because the jury could not agree.

Federal Judge Samuel Kaufman dismissed the jurors at 9.01 p.m. EDT, after 14 hours 44 minutes of actual deliberations on charges that Hiss lied before a grand jury when he denied having given Government secrets to Whittaker Chambers and when he said he had not seen the confessed Communist spy courier since January 1937.

The stubborn jury which, by the account of the jurors, changed their mind very little from the first to the last ballot, were split: eight finding Hiss guilty and four finding him innocent.

Mr. John F. X. McGohey, U.S. attorney, said immediately that the Government would seek a retrial as soon as possible.

In Washington, the Attorney General, Tom Clark, said the Justice Department would "vigorously prosecute" the case again "as quickly as the docket of the court will permit."

The "no-decision" verdict was a bitter disappointment to Hiss, the former bright young man of the State Department who sat behind the late President Franklin Roosevelt at Yalta and who played a major role in the birth of the United Nations at San Francisco. —United Press.

Revolt Of Vietnam Troops

Paris, July 8.

Vietnam guerilla troops are now in control of some two-thirds of the Quang Ngai area in Annam, according to the Vietnamese newspaper, "Than Nien," quoted here today by the Agence France Presse.

The Saigon newspaper said that three weeks ago troops under the command of former students of the Tran Quoc Military Academy rebelled against the authority of the Indo-Chinese autonomist leader, Dr. Ho Chi-Minh.

The leader of the rebels is said to be Cao Van Khanh, the Fifth Area Commandant.

The French authorities in Saigon are unable to confirm the report, but said that in the area there is known to be a significant trend of opinion against Dr. Ho Chi-Minh, the French news agency added.—Reuter.

STOWAWAY IN SACKING

Dover, July 8.

A 26-year-old Pole, who was arrested a fortnight ago when soldiers found him on a cliff top, wearing only a piece of sacking, was sent to prison for 14 days here today.

At previous appearances in court, he was described as Karl Schneider, and was said to have told the police that he stowed away on a vessel leaving Hamburg, and swam ashore.

Today, he was said to be named Bog Anski, living at an address in North London, and the charge was altered to attempting to leave the country without authority.

The police said that he wanted to get to France and had swum out to boats at anchor, but could not get any of them to start.—Reuter.

Nottingham & Glamorgan Fail To Reach Decision

London, July 8.

Of the six County cricket matches concluded today, only the game at Nottingham failed to reach a definite decision.

The outcome of these matches has made little difference to the County championship table. The first four Counties, Middlesex, Yorkshire, Worcestershire and Glamorgan, remain unchanged, but at the bottom Hampshire have risen above Leicestershire, who are now at the end.

Middlesex and Yorkshire, joint leaders with 100 points each, meet at Sheffield tomorrow in a match which can have an important bearing on the destination of the season's honours.

Yorkshire, with a game in hand over their rivals, have returned from a care-free two-day encounter in Ireland, while Middlesex took three days' rest after their fine win against Leicestershire.

Hampshire's rise from the bottom place came as the result of their victory over Derbyshire at Chesterfield, their first success since May 20. Derek Shackleton, promising 24-year-old Hampshire all-rounder, accomplished his best performance in this match when taking seven Derbyshire second innings wickets for 90 runs with his fast medium deliveries.

A Hard Struggle

Glamorgan, after a hard struggle, gained first innings points over Nottinghamshire at Nottingham. Notts run up the biggest total at Trent Bridge this season, but the County champions, batting carefully exceeded it by seven runs before stumps were drawn. Altogether in this match 969 runs were scored for 18 wickets.

There were three centuries in the Glamorgan innings. On the second day E. Davies hit 111, and it was followed by 145 by Bill Packhouse and 109 by Alan Watkins.

Set the heavy task of getting 302 runs to win in less than three hours, Sussex failed, being beaten by Northamptonshire by 147 runs.

Frank Vigar came out of the match against Leicestershire very well indeed and his efforts went a long way in Essex's victory by seven wickets.

Vigar, who made 114 not out in the first innings, scored 63 not out today in the second and without being dismissed, scored 177 runs in the match. He appropriately made the winning hit.

Vic Jackson made 74 not out for Leicestershire today, but he was the only batsman to stay against the sound Essex fielding.

Results

The results of games ended today were:

At Chesterfield: Hampshire beat Derbyshire by 10 wickets. Derbyshire 130 and 272 (Smith 61, Rhodes 53, Shackleton 7 for 90); Hampshire 361 and 43 for none.

At Nottingham: Nottinghamshire drew with Glamorgan. Notts 481; Glamorgan 488 for 8 (Parkhouse 145, Watkins 109).

At Leicester: Essex beat Leicestershire by seven wickets. Leicestershire 218 and 238 (Jackson 74 not out); Essex 275 and 185 for 3 (Cray 68, Vigar 63 not not out).

At Worthing: Northamptonshire beat Sussex by 147 runs. Northants 368 and 272 for 6 declared (Brookes 108 not out, Jakeman 105); Sussex 339 and 154 (Garlick 4 for 37).

Kiwis Avoid Defeat

Manchester, July 8—By unrelaxing concentrated defence totally out of keeping with their usual attractive stroke play the New Zealanders avoided defeat on a crumbling pitch, which favoured spin bowlers.

Hadlee, the captain, was the solid rock on which most Lancashire hopes of victory foundered, but Rubone, Donnelly, Smith, Reid and Mooney played their parts with similarly commendable care and avoidance of risk.

The New Zealanders suffered a minor disaster when Scott was bowled in the first over of the day, but Hadlee presented a straight bat to practically every ball for four hours, in which time he scored 36 out of 127.

On his dismissal six wickets were down for 175, so that with 90 minutes left for play the New Zealanders required 55 runs to avoid an innings defeat.

For 65 minutes Reid and Mooney defied every bowling scheme and Howard's swift changes of attack. In that time they scored only in twos and fours, so that each man stayed at an end. By this method either Reid or Mooney took all the bowling during any one bowler's spell.

The final scoreboard read:

Lancashire: 1st innings 407 for 5 declared.

New Zealand: 1st innings 237.

New Zealand: 2nd innings.

Scott, b Greenwood	23
Rabone lbw, b Pollard	32
Hadlee, c Pollard, b Itkin	36
Wallace, c Place, b Pollard	0
Donnelly, c and b Grieves	30
Smith, b Tattersall	41
Mooney, not out	6
Burtt, not out	1
Extras	13
Total for seven wkts:	204

—Reuter.

Lapebie Wins Eighth Lap Of Tour De France

Bordeaux, July 8.

Guy Lapebie won the eighth lap of the Tour de France today sprinting to first place in the final Metre.

Lapebie, who rides for the French National team, won before the eyes of his hometown supporters in the Velodrome at Bordeaux.

He covered the 262 metres from La Rochelle in 7 hours 27 minutes 22 seconds.

Jacques Marinelli of the Ile de France team held on to the yellow sweater emblem of overall leadership although he finished with a large group which was classed as tying for 19th place.

He lost none of his time advantage since Ferdinand Kubler of Switzerland, who holds second place, finished in the same group.

Recovers From Fall

Lapebie recovered from a fall in the first stages of the lap to gain his victory. As the cyclists were leaving Rochefort, there was a jam at the crossing of a narrow bridge. Lapebie fell and his bicycle broke, but members of the French team stopped to help him and he was soon back on the road with the main group of riders.

Lapebie's win moved him up to 10th place in the general classification from 15th. In the only other important change today, Joseph Tacca of the Ile de France team moved into third place from fifth, passing up Fiorenzo Magni of the Italian Cadets and Marcel Dupont of the Belgian Eaglets.

Pulled A Muscle

Marcel Dussault, who won the first lap of this year's tour, had to give up today because of a pulled muscle. Dussault finished ninth in yesterday's sprint, but was down in 59th place in the general classification. He started on today's lap, but was in too much pain to continue.

Ange Lestrat of the French National team did not start today because of dysentery.

On Saturday racers will run over a lap of 228 kilometres to San Sebastian, Spain.—Associated Press.

WRAC CHARGED WITH MURDER OF HUSBAND

London, July 9.

Private Margaret Laughlin Williams, 20 year old WRAC, who arrived in London by air from Austria last night under an army escort, was at Bow Street London Court today charged with the murder of her ex-husband, Company Sergeant Major Montague Cyril Williams, who was found stabbed to death in their hotel at Klagenfurt, Austria, last Monday.

After a hearing lasting only a few minutes, Mrs. Williams was remanded in custody until July 18. She was granted legal aid.

Chief-Inspector Digby told the Magistrate that he saw Mrs. Williams at Hendon airport last night and told her he was going to charge her with the murder of her husband.

She replied: "I would like to tell you about it when I have something to eat." She later made a statement.—Reuter.

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MAIL NOTICE

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It is hereby notified that all mail services for Shanghai, Tientsin and North China are temporarily suspended.

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Posts close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mails close before 10 a.m., Registered and Parcel Posts close at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO closing times.

SUNDAY, JULY 10

Closing Times by Air

Canton, (Kowloon CPO) 9 a.m., 12.30 p.m.; (GPO) 8.30 a.m., Noon.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 9/7, (Ord.) 9 a.m. 10/7.

Airmail for Kweilin, Chungking and Chengtu: Airmail for Liuchow and Kunming, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 9/7, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 10/7.

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Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Batavia, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 9/7, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 10/7.

Airmail for Saigon and Paris, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 9/7, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 10/7.

Closing Times by Sea

Japan, 9 a.m.

Manila, 9 a.m.

Swatow, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, JULY 11

Closing Times by Air

Canton, (Kowloon CPO) 9 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m.; (GPO) 8.30 a.m., Noon, 1.30 p.m., 3 p.m.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.

Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) Noon, (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.

Airmail for Taipeh; Airmail for Hoihow, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy; Airmail for Liuchow and Kunming; Airmail for Chungking and Chengtu, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Airmail for Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, (Basra, Nairobi, Mombasa, Dares Salaam, Mauritius, Johannesburg and Cairo via Karachi), Alexandria, Rome and London, Kowloon CPO: (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.; GPO: (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Singapore, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

Formosa via Keelung, 9 a.m.

Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Sydney, (Par. and Reg.) 2.30 p.m., (Ord.) 3 p.m.

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Swatow, 3 p.m.

Bangkok, 3 p.m.

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TUESDAY, JULY 12

Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

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Airmail for Bangkok, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Labuan, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

Korea (via Fusan), 10 a.m.

Formosa via Keelung, 10 a.m.

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CRAIGENGOWER HUMBLED BY RECREIO 'A'

Suffer First Defeat Of Season

The all-conquering Craigengower Cricket Club met their Waterloo in the First Division of the Lawn Bowls League yesterday when, playing at home, they went down to Club de Recreio "A"—last year's Champions—by five shots, the final score being 60-55. Craigengower only managed to win on one rink.

In spite of their defeat, the home team still remains at the top of the league, being 5½ points ahead of Recreio "A".

Indian Recreation Club made a clean sweep in their game against Club de Recreio "B" at Sookunpoo, winning by a margin of 29 shots. The final score was 78-49.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club scored four out of a possible five points against the Police Recreation Club, while at Hunghom, Kowloon Docks had to be content with one and half points out of a possible of five. Kowloon Cricket Club managed to win on aggregate, thanks to a fine effort by Jack Orem and his merry men.

In the Second Division Filipino Club trounced Hong Kong Football Club at Happy Valley, while at Chater Road, Hong Kong Cricket Club beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

Kowloon Cricket Club did exceedingly well to beat Indian Recreation Club at Sookunpoo while Taikoo Docks Club easily accounted for Craigengower Cricket Club.

By virtue of their defeat in the Third Division League, Hong Kong Electric lost their leadership to Kowloon Docks Club. The latter team beat Police Recreation Club at Happy Valley on all rinks, while the Hong Kong Electric lost to Kowloon Cricket Club. At King's Park, Recreio beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

FIRST DIVISION

CCC—Recreio "A"

Club de Recreio "A" avenged their previous defeat at the hands of Craigengower Cricket Club in the First Division of the Lawn Bowls League when they beat the home team in an exciting finish, the final score being 60-55.

This was the first defeat of the Happy Valley team this season. The last time when these two teams met at King's Park, the Valley team won on all rinks.

At ten time, the home team was leading by five shots. Immediately after tea Bradbury and his men gave away a five and a six to Joe Luz's rink and lost eventually by three shots.

J. E. Noronha and his men did very well to beat U. M. Omar's rink by four shots. Noronha's front men played extremely well while Noronha himself was at the top of his form. Although U. M. Omar was up against it during the greater part of the game, he almost succeeded in carrying his rink through. Omar was leading by two shots with three more heads to play, but failed to register a single shot during the remainder of the game, while Noronha chalked six shots to win by four.

Landolt was rather lucky to beat Ribeiro by two shots. Ribeiro played a marvellous game during the first eight heads but after that the heat was too much for him and he fell away badly. However, during the last few heads he once again revealed his form.

CCC		Recreio "A"	
L. C. R. Souza		B.P.F. Marques	
J. W. Leonard		A. M. Souza	
A. E. Coates		R. F. da Luz	
B. W. Bradbury (skip)	18	J. A. da Luz (skip)	21
A. A. Razack		G. A. Guterres	
J. H. Xavier		C. E. Marques	
K. M. Omar		F. V. V. Ribeiro	
U. M. Omar (skip)	18	J. E. Noronha (skip)	22
A. H. Rumjahn		A. P. Pereira	
G. A. Souza		C. R. Pereira	
A. M. Omar		C. C. Pereira	
J. S. Landolt (skip)	19	J. F. V. Ribeiro (skip)	17
Total	55	Total	60

IRC—Recreio "B"

In a First Division Lawn Bowls match at Sookunpoo, Indian Recreation Club beat Club de Recreio by 29 shots and on all rinks, the final score being 78-49.

IRC		Recreio "B"	
S. Yusuf		P. N. da Silva	
A. R. A. Rahman		F. X. Soares	
K. M. Rumjahn		J. C. Remedios	
J. Hoosan (skip)	20	C. F. Remedios (skip)	14
A. K. Minu		M. A. Baptista	
A. J. Hussain		C. P. Barto	
M. I. Razack		C. M. Silva	
A. R. Minu (skip)	27	F. X. da Silva (skip)	21

I. Ali		A. M. Alves	
A. R. Kitchell		H. R. Pinna	
M. B. Hassan		G. A. Noronha	
U. M. Rumjahn (skip)	31	L. F. Xavier (skip)	14
Total	78	Total	49

KDC—KCC

Playing at Hunghom, Kowloon Docks lost to Kowloon Cricket Club in a First Division Lawn Bowls game Club by 12 shots, the final score being 66-54. The home teamwon on one rink and finished all square in another but they lost on aggregate.

KDC		KCC	
W. Davidson		W. College	
W. Gaffney		A. J. Kew	
R. Morrison		E. A. Madar	
B. Parks (Skip)	15	C. S. Rosselet (Skip)	15
W. Riley		A. E. P. Guest	
R. Lapsley		J. N. Wong	
C. R. Logan		E. C. Fincher	
V. Ramsey (Skip)	15	J. Orem (Skip)	19
W. Marshallsay		C. Thompson	
G. Martin		W. Hong Shing	
A. Elliott		W. Butterworth	
W. McMaster (Skip)	24	F. Godwin (Skip)	21
Total	54	Total	65

KBGC—PRC

Playing in a First Division Lawn Bowls game at Austin Road, Kowloon Bowling Green Club beat the Police Recreation Club by 77-48. The home team won on two rinks and lost on one.

KBGC		PRC	
E. A. Atkins		D. H. Taylor	
G.E.F. Thompson		A. Scutar	
A. J. Hall		F. Channing	
L. Sykes (Skip)	32	J. Bradley (Skip)	11
L. A. Collyer		W. Cameron	
J. G. Meyer		H. Brown	
A.L.J. Eastman		J. Hayward	
J. McKelvie (Skip)	27	C. Gough (Skip)	16
F. A. Plume		M. Saul	
G. E. Crough		G. Willerton	
J. Fraser		J. M. Forrest	
W. C. Simpson (Skip)	18	W. R. Hillyer (Skip)	21
Total	77	Total	48

SECOND DIVISION

HKFC—FC

In a second division Lawn Bowls match at Happy Valley, Hong Kong Football Club lost to Filipino Club on all rinks and by 30 shots, the final score being 73-43.

HKFC		FC	
J. S. Howell		W. Chang	
E. Strange		A. Y. Lee	
J. A. R. Selby		H. Y. Hsu	
N. J. Bebbington (Skip)	18	D. A. Rusario (Skip)	20
K. Baker		R. Basa	
L. Strange		J. Delgado	
C. Carr		V. N. Atienza	
M. N. Rakusen (Skip)	17	W. V. Field (Skip)	25
L. F. Henley		F. Rodrigues	
J. O'Grady		L. J. Castilho	
T. Pile		J. W. Lee	
B. I. Bickford (Skip)	6	W. C. Ogley (Skip)	28
Total	43	Total	73

THIRD DIVISION

PRC—KDC

In a Third Division Lawn Bowls game at Happy Valley Police Recreation Club lost to Kowloon Docks on all rinks and by 23 shots, the final score being 73-50.

PRC		KDC	
J. Russell		W. Haynr	
J. Saunders		W. Stronch	
N. Senior		C. Collins	
G. Davies (Skip)	14	J. Bleker (Skip)	21
J. Redman		Chambers	
T. Goodman		Taylor	
R. McKenzie		McKay	
C. Pope		A. McInnes	
(Skip)	14	(Skip)	29
H. Finney		Allan	
E. Pilkington		Burbeck	
H. Dowan		McIntyre	
W. E. Hollands (Skip)	22	Hutchinson (Skip)	23
Total	50		73

Recreio—KBGC

At King's Park Club de Recreio beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club 83-51 in a Third Division Lawn Bowls game. The home team won on two out of the three rinks.

Recreio		KBGC	
A. Campos		A. P. Weir	
J. A. Victor		G. P. Styles	
M. L. Roza		A. Bailey	
J. J. Bento		L. B. Lammert	
(skip)	10	(skip)	28
J. Fonseca		A. Wood	
M. Nunes		A. Crossmith	
J. Cotton		P. Hughes	
L. A. Rosario		H. H. Rose	
(skip)	22	(skip)	14
G. A. Hunn		E. Baker	
S. E. Souza		C. Holt	
E. H. Carvalho		R. Howne	
D. C. Alves (skip)	36	T. Hamsley (skip)	
Total	68	Total	51

HKERC—KCC

At Ming Yuen, Hong Kong Electric lost to Kowloon Cricket Club in a Third Division Lawn Bowls match by seven shots, the final score being 58-51. The home team won one one rink.

HKERC		CCC	
L. Gibson		Baggot	
T. A. Golding		F. Howarth	
J. F. Lunny		Cowie	
G. Ryder		F. E. Lawrence	
(skip)	19	(skip)	20
J. O. Stokoe		O. Boyes	
J. Bottomley		I. Maclean	
J. K. Sloan		C. Champelovier	
V. Bench		J. A. Tibble	
(skip)	17	(skip)	13
W. Stoker		G. Rosselet	
E. Boycott		H. Kew	
G. T. Padgett		W. Baker	
R. C. Butler		T. E. Baker	
(skip)	15	(skip)	25
Total	51	Total	58

TDC—CCC

Taikoo Docks Club beat Craigengower Cricket Club in a Second Division Lawn Bowls game at home by 65 shots to 59. They won on two rinks and finished even on another, thereby scoring 4½ points out of a total of five.

TDC		CCC	
J.B. Baxter		R. Tay	
A.W. Leek		S.R. Solina	
R.B. Marshall		C.W. Lam	
C. Bovair (skip)	23	E.S. Franks (skip)	19
N. Beaton		L.S. Wing	
J.A. Smith		G. Hong Choy	
J.A. Welson		W. Howard	
W.G. McKie (skip)	22	A.J. Coelho (skip)	20
T.R. Maclean		G.S. Ludd	
D.R. Daily		P.K. Lau	
A. Steven		H.A. Botelho	
J.H. Kinniburgh (skip)	20	S. Marvin (skip)	20
Total	65	Total	59

IRC—KCC

Entertaining the Kowloon Cricket Club to a Second Division Lawn Bowls game at Sookunpoo, Indian Recreation Club lost to the visitors by 13 shots, the final score being 67-54. The home team managed to win on one rink.

IRC		KCC	
S.O. Bux		L. Brezny	
O.R. Sadick		S.A. Gray	
A.R. Razack		A.W. Ramsay	
A.M. Wahab (skip)	25	F.E. Skinner (skip)	18
D.M.A. Razack		H. Gittins	
I. Kitchell		H. Triggs	
M.Y. Adal		J. Tang	
S.M. Rumjahn (skip)	11	G. Lee (skip)	20
M.A. Wahab		E.R. Rosselet	
S.S. Hussain		C.R. Rosselet	
A.M. Rumjahn		R.S. Capell	
A.O. Madar (skip)	18	T. Lock (skip)	23
Total	54	Total	67

HKCC—KBGC

Hong Kong Cricket Club beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club in a Second Division Lawn Bowls game at Chater Road by 28 shots, the final score being 72-34. The visitors won on one rink.

HKCC		KBGC	
W. Sewell		T. Wren	
A. Graham		J. A. L. Pearson	
R. H. Wild		D. Trail	
A. E. Howkins (Skip)	30	R. J. Wigginton (Skip)	7
D. Phillips		A. Hutton	
L. R. Wood		J. Robertson	
R.A.E. Edwards		J. Crighton	
A. W. Brown (Skip)	12	A. Spary (Skip)	20
N. R. Oliver		L. Gaddi	
E.J.R. Mitchell		E. J. Spradbery	
H. F. Shields		J. Tyndall	
W. Williamson (Skip)	30	J. Hempsey (Skip)	7
Total	72		34

THIRD DIVISION

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J. Russell		W. Haynr	
J. Saunders		W. Stronch	
N. Senior		C. Collins	
G. Davies (Skip)	14	J. Bleker (Skip)	21
J. Redman		Chambers	
T. Goodman		Taylor	
R. McKenzie		McKay	
C. Pope		A. McInnes	
(Skip)	14	(Skip)	29
H. Finney		Allan	
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J. Fonseca		A. Wood	
M. Nunes		A. Crossmith	
J. Cotton		P. Hughes	
L. A. Rosario		H. H. Rose	
(skip)	22	(skip)	14
G. A. Hunn		E. Baker	
S. E. Souza		C. Holt	
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J. F. Lunny		Cowie	
G. Ryder		F. E. Lawrence	
(skip)	19	(skip)	20
J. O. Stokoe		O. Boyes	
J. Bottomley		I. Maclean	
J. K. Sloan		C. Champelovier	
V. Bench		J. A. Tibble	
(skip)	17	(skip)	13
W. Stoker		G. Rosselet	
E. Boycott		H. Kew	
G. T. Padgett		W. Baker	
R. C. Butler		T. E. Baker	
(skip)	15	(skip)	25
Total	51	Total	58

League Tables

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	L	Shots F	Shots A	Pts.
CCC	8	7	1	556	417	32
Recreio "A"	8	6	2	529	437	20½
IRC	8	4	4	485	408	23
KBGC	8	4	4	493	468	22½
KCC	6	3	3	301	346	14½
PRC	7	2	5	389	449	12
KDC	8	2	6	416	547	10½
Recreio "B"	8	2	6	346	476	9

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	L	Shots F	Shots A	Pts.
Recreio	7	5	2	468	340	27½
KCC	8	5	3	474	441	22½
FC	7	5	2	409	360	22½
TDC	8	5	3	500	454	21½
IRC	7	4	3	404	404	17½
CCC	7	3	4	385	436	15½
KBGC	7	2	5	370	439	13½
HKFC	7	2	5	373	414	13
HKCC	8	2	6	421	464	11½

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	L	Shots F	Shots A	Pts.
KDC	6	4	2	389	316	20½
HKERC	7	4	3	410	365	20
POC	6	4	2	351	297	18½
KCC	7	1½	5½	423	443	15½
KBGC	6	3	3	331	366	13½
Recreio	5	2½	2½	314	299	11½
PRC	7	2	5	358	445	10½

Luciano In Rome Prison

Rome, July 8.

Wearing a green garbardine suit, a rainbow-hued tie and suede shoes, Charles "Lucky" Luciano, once vice "King" in New York, sat glumly in a Rome prison cell tonight strenuously denying he is linked with an international drug trafficking ring.

A police flying squad picked up the former gangster in his luxury apartment in Rome's exclusive Parioli district yesterday after receiving what they called a "radio tip" from New York.

In the same apartment was Egea Lissoni, who describes herself as Luciano's "girl friend." She told reporters today: "I know Lucky is innocent."

Eight other people are detained with Luciano on suspicion of being linked with an alleged dope ring smuggling cocaine from Italy to the United States.

Police said they uncovered the ring when an American carrying two kilogrammes (four-and-a-half pounds) of cocaine was arrested at Rome Airport. All nine suspects were questioned at police headquarters, then taken to the grim Regina Coeli ("Queen of Heaven") prison.

Luciano, who was expelled from the United States in 1946 and later deported from Cuba to Italy, was put in a damp-walled cell which housed many of Mussolini's political prisoners in the years when the gangster was leading a prominent role in New York's underworld.—Reuter.

AIR MARSHAL GOSSAGE DEAD

Buxted: Sussex: July 9.

Air Marshal Sir Leslie Gossage, Chief of the Balloon Command between 1940/1944 and later head of the Air Training Corps until 1946, has died at his home, Abbotswood, Buxted, aged 68, it was announced today.

He was one the RAF's most able officers. He joined the Royal Flying Corps in 1915 being made a Wing-Commander at the age of 26.

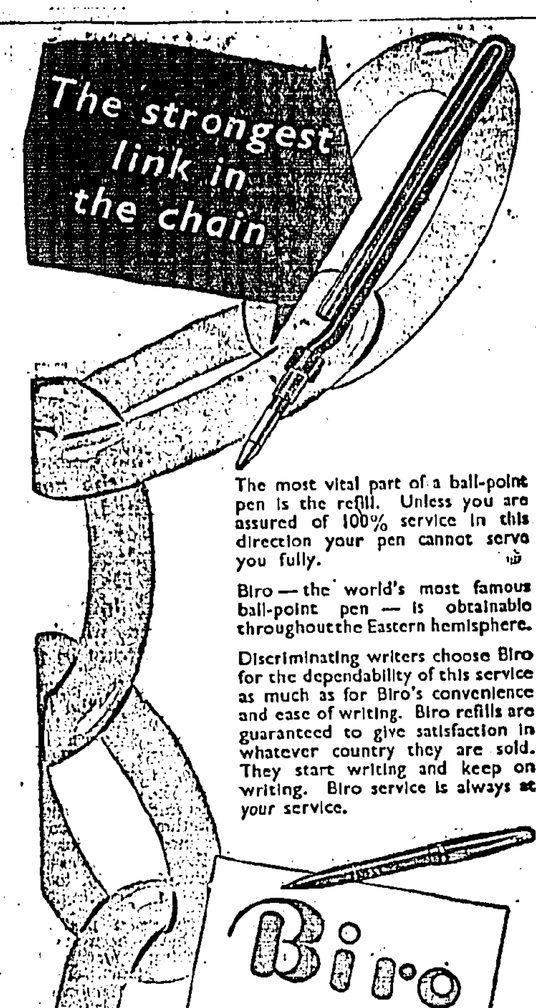
He won the D.S.O. and M.C. and was mentioned in despatches four times.—Reuter.

CATC PLANE MISSING

Taipeh, July 9.

It was confirmed here today that a Central Air Transport Corporation C-47 plane from Canton to Taipeh has been missing since Friday.

It was reported that there were two important passengers aboard.—Reuter.



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HKFA Meeting May Decide Future Of Colony Soccer

(By "ROVER")

Soccer in this Colony is at the crossroads and the fate of the game, insofar as Hong Kong is concerned, will depend entirely on the outcome of the elections and nominations to take place at the Annual General Meeting of the HKFA on Friday next.

Widespread interest is being displayed in this meeting, which may be regarded as the most momentous in the history of the Association.

Members of the public are fully aware as to the identity of those who have "a deep and sincere interest in the game for the game's sake." They are, therefore, eagerly awaiting the result of the elections and nominations to see whether high sounding phrases mean anything at all or whether such phrases have been coined merely to hoodwink the unsuspecting.

For many years past, certain interests have been promoting and fostering among certain teams, a state of semi-professionalism. Members of the public are not ignorant as to the true state of affairs, nor are certain officials of the HKFA.

The state of semi-professionalism is increasing to such an extent that it has stretched its tentacles into the realm of School Football. During the last soccer season, certain promising schoolboy footballers were approached and offered attractive financial inducements to play for certain Clubs.

The "professional" instinct is rapidly growing and the reason why many youngsters are devoting so much of their time to the game is not because they love the game for itself, but because they hope, in the not too distant future, to make a living out of the game as certain of their elders are doing at the moment.

Unfair To Amateurs

There is no objection to professionalism, so long as it is conducted on the same lines as it is in England, but it is unfair to expect the many amateur players, who really play the game for the game's sake, to risk injury by playing against players who "must win" or else lose their means of earning a comparatively easy livelihood.

Under Rule 8 of the HKFA, the Association is empowered to demand, at any time, that Clubs produce their books of accounts for inspection. These books of account must record all payments and receipts, while vouchers must be retained for at least two years.

As far as is known, the Association has never seen fit to exercise its power to call for these books of account and it would be interesting to know why action along these lines has never been taken.

There is no doubt but that if the present "state of football" in this Colony is to be remedied, it is absolutely essential that the right men be in the right place.

It is for this reason that the result of the elections and nominations to take place at the Annual General Meeting of the HKFA means so much to the future of football in this Colony.

Derbyshire Off To Poor Start

Derby, July 9.

When the New Zealanders lost the toss at Derby today for the 13th time this season, Derbyshire chose to bat on a hard wicket in fine weather and by lunch time had scored 74 runs for five wickets.

Derbyshire made a bad start, losing their opening pair with only 11 runs on the board, Sutcliffe in the gully taking catches from both Elliott and March.

By lunch time Derbyshire had lost five wickets for only 74. The slow spin bowling of Burke and Burtt restrained the batsmen and after Mooney had stumped Johnson from one of Burke's legbreaks, Smith and Revill were the victims of fine slip catches by Reid off Burtt and Burke respectively.

To dismiss Smith, Reid took a catch off his toes whilst Revill went to a right-handed drive when Reid caught the ball which travelled by way of the wicket keeper's pads.

Scores: Derbyshire, 1st innings.

Elliott, c. Suteliffe, b. Reid	1
March, c. Suteliffe, b. Cresswell	5
Johnson, stumped Mooney, b. Burke	20
Smith, caught Reid bowled, Burtt	34
Revill, c. Reid, b. Burke	10
Rhodes, not out,	4
Skiner, not out	0
Extras	0
Total for five.	74

The teams were:

Derbyshire.—C. S. Elliott, E. March, L. Johnson, D. Smith, A. Revill, A. E. Rhodes, D. A. Skiner, G. Dawes, L. Jackson, W. Copson and J. Rimmell.

New Zealand:—B. Suteliffe, V. J. Scott, N. A. Hadlee, W. M. Wallace, J. Reid, B. Smith, F. H. Mooney, T. B. Burtt, C. Burke, J. Cowie and G. F. Cresswell.—Reuter.

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English Channel Swim Season Opens This Month

Dover, July 8.

The English Channel swimming season opens this month and already five persons, including 16-year-old Shirley May France of Somerset, Mass., have notified Dover authorities they plan to make the attempt.

The American school girl will be the youngest ever to try the treacherous currents that have beaten many an older swimmer.

Dr. George Basil Brewster of Southward, England, who was 58 on June 24, also will make his 13th attempt this summer and the veteran Egyptian swimmer Fahmy will try the France to England route.

Tom Blower, the Nottingham giant and conqueror of the stormy Irish Channel, will try the unique feat of swimming the channel both ways non-stop. -- United Press.

In Goalless Draw

Top picture shows the 2/6th Gurkha Rifles Soccer XI which played the 2/10th Gurkha Rifles (lower picture) in the quarter-final of the Nepal Cup Soccer Competition at Chatham Road yesterday. The game ended in a draw, neither side scoring.—("China Mail" Photos).

Gurkha Teams Play To Draw In Nepal Cup Soccer Match

(By "ROVER")

The lusty shouts of "Shabash" by hundreds of Gurkhas rent the air at Chatham Road yesterday, when the two locally based battalions of the Gurkha Rifles, the 2/6th and 2/10th, met each other in the quarter-final of the Nepal Cup Soccer Competition

In spite of the intense heat, the game was played at a sizzling pace from start to finish and at the call of time, neither side had scored, thus necessitating a re-play on Saturday next

The Nepal Cup was presented last year by Lieutenant General His Highness Maharajah Mohun Shamsher Jang Bahadur Rana, GCIE, CBE, Colonel-in-Chief the Brigade of Gurkhas, for competition between all the Gurkha Units.

Teams are selected from Gurkha Infantry Battalions, the Field Engineers Regiment, the Signals Regiment, forming part of the Gurkha Division; the Brigade of Gurkhas Centre and the British Gurkhas L. of C., India.

The semi-finals and the finals will be played at Ipoh or Kluang.

Those who went to Chatham Road yesterday expecting to see a mediocre game were agreeably surprised, as both 2/6th and the 2/10th gave a grand display and served up a brand of football which would have done credit to many a local First Division team.

One of the most outstanding features about the game was the clean and sporting manner in which it was played; both teams upheld the highest traditions of sportsmanship and a draw was a fitting climax to what was, without doubt, a splendid soccer match from every point of view.

Open Play

Both teams adopted open methods of play and seldom resorted to that type of unnecessary dilly-dallying and close interpassing which which has become part and parcel of local soccer.

The game opened evenly, with each side attacking in turn. As the game progressed, the 2/6th gradually gained the ascendancy and it was only the brilliant defensive play of the 2/10th, plus the magnificent display of Sgt. Iswah Singh in goal that prevented the 2/6th from scoring.

The 2/6th forward line was more incisive than the 2/10th. The 2/6th forwards were dangerous when in possession and their keen thrusts always looked like ending in goals.

The 2/10th managed to break away occasionally, but their efforts to score were always thwarted by a fast tackling defence which refused to give ground.

The interval came without either side having scored.

Notwithstanding the fast pace of the first half, the teams started off with a dash on resumption and the lightning-like thrusts by both sets of forwards gave the goalkeepers many anxious moments.

Stout Defence

This half saw the 2/10th more to advantage and at one stage they completely overran their opponents but once again a stout-hearted defence stuck to its guns and repulsed every attempt to score.

As the 2/10th attacks gradually petered out, the 2/6th came into their own again and launched a series of relentless and breathtaking attacks on the 2/10th goal, but to no avail.

The 2/10th were by no means exhausted and when the opportunity presented itself, they counter-attacked with gusto but without success.

The final whistle came with both teams striving pluckily to score the winning goal.

Captain H. J. Chisnall was in charge of the game and he handled it with his usual efficiency to the entire satisfaction of players and spectators.

Teams:

2/6th: L/Chhabilal, L/Cpl. Rudrapoosad; L/Cpl. Dhanbahadur, L/Cpl. Kalu, Jemadar Lal Singh, L/Cpl. Saklal, L/Cpl. Balibadra, C/Sgt. Dhanbahadur, Sgt. Amar Bahadur, Major Harvey (Captain) and L/Cpl. Kale.

2/10th: Sgt. Iswah Singh, Sgt. Major Gam Bahadur, Sgt. Ratna Bahadur, Capt. McAllister (Captain), Jemadar Ran Bahadur, L/Cpl. Kalu Singh, Cpl. Jai Bahadur, C/Sgt. Padam Bahadur, Cpl. Indra Jit, Cpl. Kalu Lekha and RQMS Dunrat.

RED STAR SOCCER TEAM REJECT INVITATION

Belgrade, July 8.

Yugoslavia's famous Red Star soccer team has rejected an invitation from the Mexican Soccer Federation to participate in Mexico City's Summer International Soccer matches this month.

Officials in Belgrade said the reason was that Yugoslavia planned to meet Palestine for the world championship in September and some of the Red Star players were taking part.—Associated Press.

Second VRC Swim Gala

The Victoria Recreation Club will hold their Second Swimming Gala of the season at 9.30 p.m. on Saturday next, when they entertain the Chinese YMCA.

The meeting will be highlighted by the return of Ng Nin, who has now been officially reinstated by the VRC.

The VRC will be represented by:

MEN "A" CLASS

W. Lawrence, F. Monteiro, A. V. Lopes, A. K. Rumjahn, G. Roza-Pereira, J. Yvanovich, F. Guest, G. Saunders and J. Gomes.

MEN "B" CLASS

E. B. Midford, G. Randall, C. Silva-Netto, G. Blenkinsop, G. Gutteres, Armando Marques, S. L. Carvalho, R. E. de Souza, E. C. Tavares, E. L. Costa, D. Collaco P. Thompson, A. Marques, Ron. Thompson and I. Erikson.

LADIES.

B. Anderson, H. Anderson, D. Barton, I. Enger, C. Enger, M. Fincher, Pat Sullivan and June Lee.

Events down for decision are:—
1. "B" Class 100yds Free Style. 2. "A" Class 100yds Free Style. 3. Ladies 100yds Free Style. 4. "B" Class 4 x 50 yds Free Style Relay. 5. "A" Class 100yds Back Stroke. 6. Ladies 100yds Breast Stroke. 7. "B" Class 100yds Breast Stroke. 8. "A" Class 100yrd Breast Stroke. 9. "B" Class 220yds Back Stroke. 11. "A" Class 50yds Free Style. 12. "B" Class 100yds Back Stroke. 13. VRC Senior Boys 150yds Individual Medley. 14. Ladies 4 x 50yds Free Style Relay. 15. "B" Class 3 x 50yds Medley Relay 16. "A" Class 4 x 50yds Free Style Relay.

Y'S MEN'S LADIES NIGHT

The Y's Men's Ladies Night for the month will be held at the Y's Swimming Shed, South Bay Beach, on Thursday. Music, swimming, and dinner will feature the programmes.

Dinner will be served at 7.30 p.m. at $6 a cover.

Swimming relays among members and families will be arranged by Kenneth S. Lee and Wong Kam-ying.

Transport arrangement will be made to ferry those who have no cars of their own from the bus stop at Repulse Bay to the South Bay Beach.

First Open Golf Replay Since 1933

Sandwich, Kent, July 8.

Bobby Locke, of South Africa, and Harry Bradshaw, of Eire, today tied for the British Open golf championship when they had identical scores for today's 36 holes and so equalled the championship record low aggregate of 283. They will replay over 36 holes tomorrow.

For the four rounds of the championship their rounds were: Locke 69, 76, 68, 70; Bradshaw 68, 77, 68, 70. Bradshaw, it will be recalled, led the 96 qualifiers after the 36 holes preliminary test on Monday and Tuesday.

Today's final two rounds, in which only 31 players were actively interested, were full of drama and excitement. The third round, as usual in these 72 holes events, proved the decisive one in many respects.

The overnight leader, Sam King took 74 and lost his place. Bill Shankland and Max Faulkner strokes behind King at the start of the day's play, had varying fortunes, Shankland taking 74 and Faulkner 71.

Meanwhile, Harry Bradshaw, leader of the qualifiers, came in with 69 as did Bobby Locke and the final round started with Bradshaw, Locke and Faulkner level at 213. Sam King and Charlie Ward at the tail end of the field were a stroke behind, but they failed to maintain the pace. Neither did Faulkner, whose three successive 71s were followed by 74.

Bradshaw, an early starter, had a final round of 70 to equal the championship agregate record of 283, and then Locke came along to equal that total and so, with all others failing, forced a re-play—the first since 1933.

Favourite For Title

Locke, favourite for the title from the start, will be favourite tomorrow, but he will know that he is up against a great fighter.

"That Bradshaw is a great golfer," was Locke's comment when he had been set to equal the Irishman's aggregate.

King and Ward finished with 286, but, almost unobtrusively, Robert de Vicenzo, of the Argentine, finished just ahead of that pair. A final round of 69 gave him an aggregate of 285, to be beaten only by the two who tied for the championship.

America's two representatives, Johnny Bulla and Frank Stranahan faltered this morning. Bulla took 76 and Stranahan 74, and while the amateur finished with 72 for the very respectable aggregate of 290, Bulla went from worse to worse, took 79 for the last round and ended up with an aggregate of 299.

Stranahan, who finished 13th in the final reckoning, won the special medal given for the first amateur in the championship.—Reuter.

ITALY LEAD YUGOSLAVIA IN DAVIS CUP

Rome, July 8.

Italy won the opening singles against Yugoslavia in the semi-finals of the European zone Davis Cup today.

Gianni Cucelli, Italian No. 1 player, defeated Yugoslavia's No. 1 man, Drago Mitic, 5-1, 6-2, 6-1, 7-5.

The second singles was won easily by Italy's No. 2, Vanni Canapele, who defeated Yugoslavia's No. 2, Josip Palada, 6-4, 6-4, 6-1.

Yugoslavia needs to win the doubles on Saturday and both singles matches Sunday in order to advance to the Davis Cup finals.—Associated Press.

USRC TENNIS TEAMS

The following are the United Service Recreation Club Tennis teams for the week ending July 15:—

MONDAY, JULY 11

Mixed "A" v KCC (away)

Capt. Nicholson & Mrs. Jones
K. Riddy & Mrs. Williams
Lt. Gemmell & Miss Bonbernard
Reserves: Mrs. Parker and P. Pecaric.

TUESDAY, JULY 12

Ladies "B" v CRC (away)

Mrs. Christiansen & Mrs Wright
Mrs. Raeburn and Mrs. Walton
Mrs. Hancock and Mrs. Haig
Reserves: Mrs. Henning and Mrs. Lamont.

Men's "B" v Recreio (home)

A. Dinnen & P. Pecaric
F. A. Fisher & N. Wright
Major Haig & K. Riddy
Reserves: Capt. Addington and Capt. Fitzgibbons.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

CRC "C" (home)

E. A. Hancock & Capt Mackreth
Capt Nicholson & Lt Gemmell
G. Cannon & J. A. Anderson
Reserves: Major Murray and N. Lindeman

THURSDAY, JULY 14

Ladies "A" v LRC (home)

Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Jones
Mrs. Easterbrook and Miss Bonbernard
Mrs. Halls and Mrs Scott

FRIDAY, JULY 15

Mixed "B" v CCC (home)

F. A. Fisher and Mrs. Fisher
Mrs. Christiansen and Lt. Moyes
A. Dinnen and Mrs. Halls
Reserves: Major Haig and Mrs. Haig

LESNEVICH TO MEET CHARLES

New York, July 8.

Gus Lesnevich today signed a contract to fight Ezzard Charles for the National Boxing Association version of the heavyweight title at Yankee Stadium in August 10.—United Press.

Woodcock Should Keep Away From A Straight Left

(By Jimmy Wilde, Former World Flyweight Champion)

Boxing's big problem now is whether Bruce Woodcock's punch, which left Freddy Mills too dizzy to go on for the last five minutes of their contest, will be strong enough to eliminate Lee Savold when they meet in September for the Solomons version of the world heavyweight championship.

Bruce has three months in which to polish up the technique that retained for him his British, Empire, and European titles. At the moment I would not tip him as the winner against Savold. But he is a good learner and should profit from his experience against Mills. Nearer September 6 I shall review his chances in greater detail in the light of how he shapes in training.

In beating Mills, Woodcock surprised everybody by the way he sprang into speedy action from the first bell. Until now he has always been known as a slow starter. But he gave back punch for punch every time Mills attacked and fought his way out strongly every time he looked to be getting in a tight corner.

Significance of this exhibition is that last time Woodcock met Savold the British champion's advisers were hoping for the first four rounds to pass without any trouble. They believed that after that Savold's fire and pace would fade and Woodcock would then get his chance to produce his fireworks.

Can Turn On Heat

We all know what happened to spoil that reading of events. But just as we know that Savold is unlikely to run himself into a disqualification next time, we also know that Woodcock can now really turn on the heat at will.

I am not one of the premature joy riders who proclaim Woodcock as a world champion already. He has, however, come back a long way on the road to the championship, and next time will face Savold with considerably greater confidence. More power to that right elbow.

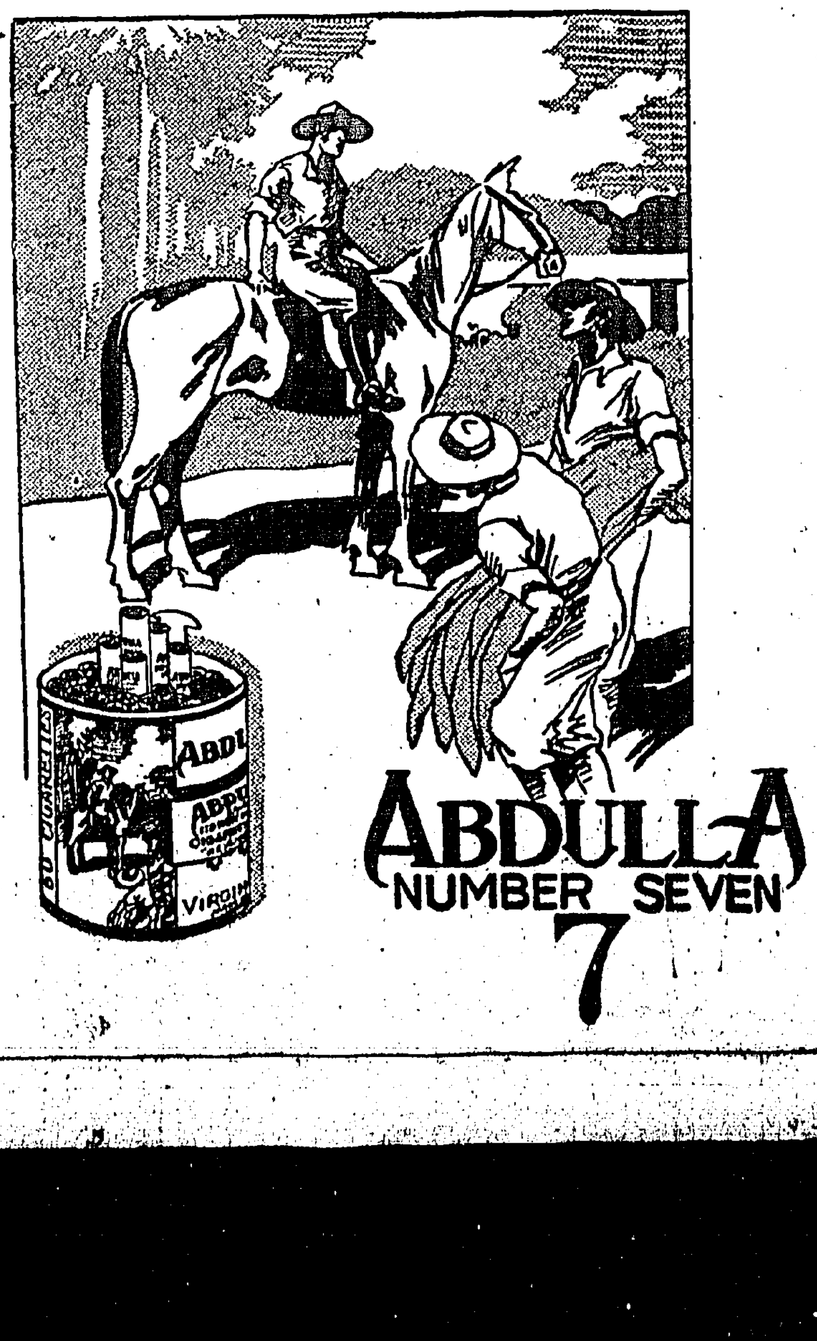
Mills disappointed me. I feel that if he had used his straight left more he could have won this fight. He came nearest to troubling Woodcock on the rare occasions he used it. Then he played into the bigger man's hands by reverting to his old swinging act.

The World Knows

Savold will not have overlooked this point. I gave readers a preview of how Woodcock was concentrating on dealing with the expected left hooks from Freddy, and now the world knows how successful he was.

My advice to the British champion is to get busy on learning to keep away from a straight left. This is a much harder task, and in his success or otherwise in dealing with it lies the key to victory over Savold and all that it would mean.

As to Savold's ideas there may be a hint in his pensive remark to me after the fight that "Bruce has certainly speeded up the heavyweight business. I shall have to go fast."



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